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# BROTHERS OF FRIENDSHIP.

## THE ANNUAL ADDRESS DELIVERED AT THE ANNIVERSARY

### Of the U. B. F. and S. M. T's. at Allen Temple, Cincinnati, May 10th, by J. H. Ayers, Grand Secretary of the State of Ohio.

It seems strange to me that any intelligent man in this civilized christian community will set himself in opposition to this society. What is there in its members, what is there in its organization, what is there in its principles, what is there in its labor, that should array any good or any intelligent man in opposition to it? What do we claim for it? Simply that it provides us the means by which we may discharge our duty to our fellow men. We visit the sick, relieve the distressed, educate the orphan and bury the dead, and the order is impregnable in its own sphere.

Its action speaks with a most irresistable eloquence while you confine it to that sphere, All we have to do as mortal creatures is to love God and love our fellow men, and in this last great field of effort of life we are working gloriously and successfully. I like it! I like it better than I ever did before because of its influence—an influence that throws its arms around men, and draws them together, and a society that does this must be beneficient in its aim and end.

I have long held the opinion that all we needed, to be friends, was to get together and look in each others eyes, and feel heart against heart. Differences melt in the presence of men when they come face to face. We know each other when we come together, and it is one of the grand ends of all right living, of all action in this world, to elevate men into a constant acknowledgment of the universal brother hood of man, and it is being done. I go back into the past, and find that men everywhere had enmities, and we urge men to come together and help each other. I thank God that we have reached a time when it is not now true in the history of the world that men are altogether actuated by feelings of enmity. Men are coming closer together. They are acknowling the courtisies of life, which bind men all in one. I like it—this glorious order of U. B. F., and I repeat, I am astonished that intelligent men, good men, are to be found to lift up their hands to stay its onward march.

The great objection is one that weights with me not for a single moment. This order is a secret society. Well, if I consider this society in its vast aggregation. U. B. F. has a body and a soul. You, my friends, trouble yourselves about the body; we value the soul. The body is a mere casket that contains the soul; don't trouble yourself about the body, it is not worth it. Thine is to be precious, and there is too much work to do in this busy world, to wast the hours in opposing that. My friends, you stand upon the threshold, but do not enter the golden portals, and commune with the spirit of our institution, and learn its full strength, meaning purposes. The order contains angels of mercy, who weep with the widow as she mourns over her orphan children, and take them to their heart, and pour into the wounded heart the balm of consolation. This is the spirit, the soul and life, and we care for the body only as it holds the soul; and if that were gone from it we would bury the body as we would any other dead body. I am not presumptous enough at any time to indicate what has been done by the order in the last thirty years. No, it would take a golden pen, plucked from an angles wing, and tax all the eloquence of the most gifted, and the skill of the most expert, to chonicle the beneficent influence and benevolent acts of the order for the past thirty years.

We have all felt its comforting influence, and appreciated its wide-spread field of usefulness, and acknowleged the comfort to the heart which is more potent than millions of money. No, I can't answer what has been done in the past, and as I stand looking upon the past and the extent of the order I cannot predict the future.

Don't forget what has been done
I am with you, and I will stand
Shoulder to shoulder with you; and
With the help of eternal God, we will
Move on the chariot of humanity with
Increased rapidity, and gather to our
Order hundreds of thousands of worshipers

And brethren, I am one who knows not of the realities of a golden age in the past. But the golden age yet to come is painted with fingers of inspiration upon the pages of God's book.

The time will come when humanity will be exalted into a bond of love and unity, and in love for the Father of us all. The time may come when religion of the Bible may not need those aids we bring to her, and when the world may do without united brothers of friendship. It is not now. There are too many tears shed, too many sighs from aching hearts, too many souls striving for a better life, and too much strife and dissension in the world, to allow this society to cease its work and throw down the robes of office. Therefore, we must buckle on our armour anew, and again march on with renewed confidence and strength down the years yet too come. We may not live to see the results of our labors, but the generations yet to come upon the earth shall see them, and see how much we have done to make men better, and the world more bright and glorious. We may not see the fruition of our labors. We may be sleeping in the ground when all this shall be accomplished. But we may now exclaim. It is coming, it is coming, it is coming,

In the life of every mortal,
There's a river deep and wide,
Over which he's daily passing,
Buffeting its surging tide;
And the river, in its fury,
Often wrecks the passing bark;
And the traveler, void of wisdom,
Sinks beneath the water dark.

Selfishness, combined with error,
Are the waters of the stream;
Hatred, and a thousand passions
From its murky surface gleam.
Gushing from the fountain evil,
Flowing through the land of wrong;
It has kept the world in darkness,
And is keeping it too long.

We have found a way of crossing,
By a bridge of mystic tie;
And the precepts it has taught us,
We will cherish till we die.
On one side is friendship planted,
Truth upon the other shore—
Love, the arch which spans the current,
Bears each brother safely o'er.

When woman was first created her maker declared it to be as a helpmeet to man. And time, with all its changes, has failed to disturb this purpose and this relationship, and we find at the present moment the same faithful attachment, the same cherry smile, the same ardent love which recompensed Adam, in a measure, for the loss of Eden; still exemplified in the wife's relation to the husband, and indeed, in all the intercourse which illustrates the friendly affinity of the sexes. What would a household be without a woman? Whence would it derive the brightness that now illuminates its hearthstone, whence would come that happiness which forms its chief attraction? Thanks to an all-wise Providence, the consideration of these interrogatories is spared us, and we have in our homes a tangible, bodily, presence of this, first best gift of God to man, and the glow of our household fires burning brightly, warms and cheers not only the dwellers under our own immediate roof-tree, but radiating and diffusing itself throughout communities, reflects a portion of its own blessedness on all who comes within the circle of its influence.

United Brothers of Friendship recognizing these facts, have sought to co-operation of women in its ministrations of love, and for this purpose have instituted the beautiful degrees of the S. M. T., and have opened the door of the lodge (the home of the U. B. F.) to her and invited her to come and assist us in our work. Will she refuse us? Did ever the cry of the suffering, or the moan of the disconsolate fall unheeded upon her ear? Did ever distress or want call for active ministrations and woman hold back? Never! The natural promptings of her heart—kindness, love, tenderness—forbid the thought.

The measure of woman's influence in the work of U. B. of F., has never been properly estimated, and only time will enable us to fully establish its true value; but the time will come when it will be fully recognized, and when this is the case, gloious as its achieve ments have been, we will look back in astonishment on the opportunities we have so long neglected; and then, glancing at the symetry and beauty of its perfect proportions and the glory of its prospective future, be forced to exclaim as did the Queen of Sheba when she saw the glory of Solomon, "The half was never told."

Man in his pride and vigor, when health like a strong arm, circles him about enabling him to battle with the storms of life, may refuse to recognize and acknowledge the true worth of woman; but when sickness lays its prostrating hand upon him and strength departs, leaving the boasting giant helpless as a child; when adversity, like a cloud of darkness, compasses him about; when friends who once his praises loudest rang, and fatened on his plenty, turn coldly away and desert him in his hour of need; then like Belshazer, when the lights had faded in Palace, and seats were vecant in the banquet hall, deserted by those who, mid the glitter and pomp of power, had been the willing suppliants of his favor, his hereditary foe, the Persians in possession of his gates, and none faithful but the wife of his bosom, he will realize in their fullness, the words of the poet:

Oh, ever when the happy laugh is dumb,
All the joy gone and all the anguish come;
When strong adversity and subtile pain,
Wring the sad soul and rack the throbbing brain;
When friends, once faitful, hearts once all our own,
Leave us to weep, to bleed, to die alone;
When fears and cares the lovely thoughts employ,
And clouds of sorrow hide the sun of joy;
When weary life, breathing reluctant breath,
Hath no hope sweeter than the hope of death;
Then the best counsel and the last relief,
To cheer the spirit or to cheat the grief—
The only calm the only comfort heard,
Comes in the music of a woman's word.

Speed on, ye faithful brothers, speed!
And blessings with you go;
Still aid the widow in her need,
And sooth the orphan's woe;
Still by the heart—sick strangers side
With words of kindness, stay
And bid the deep and troubled tide
Of sorrow pass away!
Ye generous band, long may you stand
The gray beard and the youth;
Shoulder to shoulder, hand to hand,
In justice, mercy and truth.

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PROF. J. H. AYERS,

Grand Secretary of the U. B. F.'s of the State of Ohio, delegate to the National Encampment from Bell Camp No. 1, K. F., which convenes in St. Louis July 22nd, 23rd and 24th. See address this page.

## Wealthy Farmers.

Ingleside, Md., Special.

A severe thunder storm visited this section the 18th. Geo. W. Benton and wife of Summit Bridge, Del., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dawson of this town, where they expect to remain about four weeks. A few of our colored men of note around Ingleside are Rev. A. Rochester, as a minister, comes from divine stock, his father being a minister before him. He owns a farm of about 160 acres. Abraham Rochester a brother of the above, owns a farm of 200 acres. David Rochester, another brother, owns a farm of about 175 acres. These gentlemen have several other brothers who owns property. James and Joe own a farm near Ingleside. Emery another brother, owns about 60 acres near Tilghman's station, and considerable property in Boston, Mass., where he resides. We also have a number of other farmers who have rented farms. We have one church and one school house. Rev. John Body is our pastor at the A. M. E. church. As a guest he is polite, sociable and entertaining. His congregation regards him very highly. As an orator, few can surpass him. Mrs. Servant, wife of S. S. Servant, our excellent school master, is visiting David Rochester, where she expects to remain until after her husband's term expires. Are you a subscriber to The Freeman, the king of colored journals? That's what our readers want and nothing else. A good recommendation for it is that it stands, ready to protect, never shirks, never weakens.

## Married at Atlanta, Ga.

Clarendon, Ark., Special.

Owning to the absent of the Presiding Elder attending the General Conference Rev. Crump of Stutgart came over Saturday and held quarterly conference at the A. M. E. church Sunday. He filled the pulpit at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. with a crowded house. Mr. and Mrs. Sanders' little boy after a few days illness is up again running around. H. C. Elisen and F. N. Sneede has opened a first class ice cream parlor on Main street. Miss Josie Tervin of Devalk Bluff, was in the city last and this week organizing the Christian Endeavor. Let all take a part and see what good can be accomplished. The people of this place was some what surprised to learn of the marrage of Dr. Faming of this place and Mrs. Mattie Tye of Atlante, Ga. They are now situated at Forrest City, They have the best wishes of all

# TAKES VIOLENT EXCEPTIONS

## NO INTENTION TO OFFEND, DEAR SIR, WE MERELY STATE FACTS.

### The Freeman, However, is a Non-Sectarian Journal, But "Hews to the Line"—It is the Organ of the Negro in General.

Mr. Editor, I see in your issue of May 9th an editorial headed, "A. M. E. General Conference," in which is cited the following: First, "It does not require much effort on the part of any discerning person to arrive at the conclusion that the General Conference of the A. M. E. church is the most dignified and the most highly respected assemblage of Negroes the world witnesses." Such an expression so emphatic and so bias, coming from the source it does prompts this offered reply, for which we hope you will give space. Had you stated that the A. M. E. conference was among the class of assemblies of Negroes that are highly respected and dignified would have been treating the A. M. E. conference with due consideration, and at the same time allow for other Negro assemblies, who the world over, holds a degree of intellectual and moral degree of dignity and respect as well. There are other religious bodies in these United States whose object is as laudable, whose dignity is as high, and to whom respect is not only due, but is given by every fair and reasonable reading and observing mind in this or any other country where civilization has made a track.

We would call your attention to the American National Baptist convention, with her arms stretched out to as high calling and a work of as much magnitude as that of any other organization in America. Among every people or organizations in every age of civilization there has always been leaders who give character and prestige that is essential to direct the forces into proper channels. Second, "That now at Wilmington not only keeps pace with the past, but bids fair to eclipse in every conceivable direction the magnitude of other conventions." To this we would ask if the editor is so well-posted on the future of that conference or any other assembly of Negroes, as to warrant such an expression? If so, we bow in humble submission to this foreknowledge, because he has shown us that he is off somewhere. Third, "This conference has always been marked by its men of large brain capacities," etc. Is the same not true of some others of Negro assemblages? Fourth, "The guiding genius of a Payne keeps a weariless vigil on the reverend body." Here we would not direct you to our immortal Wm. J. Simmons, D. D. L. L. D., L. M. Luke, D. D., whose nobility for Christ and the race is gone down on the lasting pages of history, but prefer citing you to the men yet living if you would keep an eye on us.

Now Mr. Editor, we have simply sketched the editorial referred to. We wish to say that while your agent, Mr. Neal was in our city last year soliciting subscribers for The Freeman he gave us to understand that it was a non-sectarian journal, whose only aim was the elevation of the Negro as a race, and not a religious sect. Influenced with this statement we took his arm and conducted him from house to house and secured subscribers for him that he never would otherwise have gotten. But now you as editor steps out and states in bold words for the A. M. E. General conference, denominating them to be "the most dignified and highly respected of all other Negro assemblies the world witnesses." The loud cheers for that conference is sent out by, and from you, on very extreme basis, leaving your readers to infer that unless they are connected with that particular denomination in your opinion they are left. The question now presents itself to us, who are we to believe, the editor or the agent? However if the article referred to is acceptable to the masses of Negroes then there is no use to canvass the isituation, but simply leave the matter with the editor. Still we believe different. It is fruitless Mr. Editor to try to have us believe that every intelligent Negro leader and layman in religion in these United States, hail from the A. M. E. denomination. To the contrary we beg to present a few pen pictures of men whose names will live to inspire children yet to be born in the Negro race. At Washington, D. C., we have our persistent, courageous W. B. Johnson, D. D., editor Baptist Magazine; the inevitable G. W. Lee, D. D.; the unassuming, but soul-stirring J. A. Taylor, D. D., the charming silver-tongued orator, Walter H. Brooks, D. D.; Virginia with her W. E. Jones, W. F. Graham, W. B. Gordon; Baltimore with Harvey Johnson, D. D., Brown and Payne, D. D.; West Virginia, A. W. Pegues, Ph. D.; Georgia with her Walker, Carter, Love, Durham, Gilbert, all of whom are D. D., M. D., A. M., etc., Florida; J. T. Brown, A. M., and Milton of Tennessee; M. Vann, D. D.; C. H. Clark, D. D.; W. H. C. Stokes, A. M.; Kentucky with her powerful host in the persons of D. A. Gaddie, D. D.; R. Mitchell, A. M.; P. H. Kennedy, D. D.; Dr. Frank, Wm. H. Stewart, editor American Baptist; Louisiana with her Clinton, Jackson; Texas with her noble sons, Griggs, Isaac, Abner, Toliver, Dennis, Campbell; Alabama with W. H. McAlpin, D. D., Polon, Pettiford; Arkansas with her loyal sons, E. C. Morris, D. D., President A. M. B. College; Booker, A. M., President Arkansas Baptist College, Robinson, to say the least of those who would serve in humbler spheres. We confess, Mr. Editor, that the A. M. E. conference, has done much for the whole people, but we would rather have you look to the status of others, as well as that of the General A. M. E. conference. If on the other hand the editor of The Freeman is connected with the conference, and the conference is connected with The Freeman, and The Freeman is an organ of the A. M. E. church, then we say blow your own horn, for we are doing the same thing over here.

J. R. BURNETT,

Hot Springs, Ark.

# THE EVOLUTION OF WOMAN.

## HER LIFE AND CHARACTER THE BASIS OF ALL LAW AND MORALS

### How the True and Noble Woman Can Influence Youth—In the World's History she has Always Borne a Conspicuous Part.

There may be wayward souls from the household of many good families. This is true of the entire human family no matter what the color, race, or condition in life. We must not sit in silence when our honor and dignity are offended, and shut our eyes against an appalling statement when that statement is calculated to wrest from us our liberties and our rights—blessings and benefits—and to threaten the whole fabric of our social system. As to the morality of our people—male or female—we respectfully ask, who is responsible for any degree of moral weakness existing in the entire family of Afro-Americans? To whom must we point with an almost indiscriminate finger for examples of goodness, virtue and holiness? Who taught these ugly lessons in impiety? Who, to-day, are the wolves of human creation standing concealed in yonder's nook waiting to stealthily steal away and destroy the chastity of our every young and fair maiden, who of necessity must part company with home, relatives and friends to go out upon the broad plains of life, unattended, in order that she may consistently and honestly earn an equable subsistence? What are the dangers lying in wait for such a one? What the intrigues, schemes, and inducements to lead them from the common paths of rectitude taught by earnest, faithful, christian parents? Who is he who now stands appalled at the condition and "throws up his hand in holy horrors?" Attach the blame where it belongs; purify the stream at its fountainhead; instead of berating the poor innocents and weaklings whose credulities and gullibilities are easily imposed upon, direct the lash of criticism homeward, scourge and correct those within the household who are most directly responsible for the wrongs—the failures of which you complain. If immoralists have gotten into our school houses, it is no more than we may expect, for the advantages and inducements they offer, so long as officials in high stations permit it.

Why not separate the chaff from the wheat? Why not point out those who fail to dignify the profession, since it has been stated so positively that it is so? Let them who feel themselves injured by being bunched in the lot with the whole, justly feel indignant and demand a proper discrimination of themselves from the bad and lesser element. Many of these are wives, daughters and sisters of respectable families, who are now stigmatized for infamy. In the name of decency, humanity and race pride, call a halt! Who could not, if he would, draw attention to the many daily occurrences of degrading and immoral scenes in "high social life" among the aristocracy of the Caucasian race as depicted in telegraphic dispatches all over the country? There are no more natural and confined to any one locality, race or people, or country than to any other. But on the whole, for moral courage, perseverance, energy and zeal the women of our race compare favorably with those of other modern nations. During the days of abject bondage there were many instances of heroism where mothers were killed defending their daughters, and daughters suffered every form of cruel punishment, finally yielding up their lives in defense of their chastity. When emancipation was proclaimed our women were the first to leave their comfortable homes and dear ones to come to the relief and aid of their sisters. These women made sacrifices, endured hardships, and through it all command respect and admiration. Comparisons are odious, but there can be no true test of virtue and womanhood where the conditions are like. Give the Negro girl a fine and comfortable home surrounded with kind, intelligent and painstaking guardians, friends, companionable associates, books, newspapers, periodicals, magazines, excellent school facilities undisturbed during her course of training and learning, protection and chaperones until the age of her maturity, and in the course of a short generation, you will see the conditions changed. But on the other hand, subject all females of whatever race or color to the same environments, exposures and temptations unprotected, unguarded, and in the end, see, if you please, whether all have come through the same ordeal, unscathed, unharmed! Intellectually speaking, our women at the head of educational institutions and affairs in the profession of teachers, as physicians, pharmacists, lawyers, writers, authors, publishers, scholars, musicians, extreme reformists, speakers and lecturers are not behind the women of any other race. We shall pause here to give only a few names of illustrious Negro women whose names adorn the pages of our race histories, who have done immeasurable good in the causes of humanity, christianity and education, and who have proven a glorious blessing to the race.

Miss Lottie Forton, now Mrs. Dr. Grimke, of Washington, D. C., held her first school among the United States colored troops at Hilton Head, and in her day did general good service in the work wherever she went. Miss Martha Bailey Briggs was for more than twenty years a teacher in Washington, D C., and stood in the front rank of her profession until her death in 1888. Miss Maria Louise Baldwin, of Cambridge, Mass., a graduate of those excellent schools, by her scholarly attainments, culture and refined manners, became the principal of Agassiz school, Cambridge, and has proved herself the equal in intellect of any in that classic city. Misses Eates and Howard have secured the degree of Master of Pedagogy in the city of New York. We name with no little pleasure Mrs. A. F. Mossell, author of a work bearing the title of "Afro-American Women;" Mrs. Fannie J. Coppin, the excellent wife of Dr. Coppin, editor of The A. M. E. Review, and who with her husband have well earned the name of leaders among the Afro-American people; Mrs. Mary E. Lee, the scholarly wife of Bishop Benj. Lee, whose writings and publications are soul-inspiring to the entire race; Mrs. Susie J. Shorter, the able agitator for the race, a fit companion to her husband, Prof. J. P. Shorter, holding the chair of mathematics in Wilberforce University; Mrs. Alice Duggard Carey, humanitarian, and for many years holding the principalship of one of the largest and best public schools in the city of Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Ida Wells-Barnett, who has stirred the whole round world from center to circumference with her pen and her voice in behalf of a suffering people; Misses Julia Jones, Lottie Bassett, Frazelia Campbell, M. V. Cook, S. S. Garnett, Lucy Maten, and Mrs. Gates, who all have done and are doing their part in lifting up the race, and maintaining a high moral and intellectual standard for it in the great work of education. Now, if after all this any one with his blind prejudice still doubts the achievements and possible future of the Negro woman as well as the Negro man, we point him with pride to the works and publications of Phillis Wheatley, Mrs. F. E. W. Harper, Mrs. F. A. Mossell, Julia A. J. Foote, Ida B. Wells, Mrs. A. J. Cooper, Victoria Earle, together with their published works, all of which have received the commanding stamp of able white critics, and which are fit companion pieces to the others: Major Martin R. Delaney, (ethnology of races) Bishops D. A. Payne, A. W. Wayman, B. T. Tanner, W. J. Gaines, H. M, Turner, Drs. Wm. J. Simmons, L. A. Scruggs, Geo. W. Williams, Peter H. Clark, C. S. Smith, William Wells Brown, J. C Simpson, and many other eminent scholars whose efforts are winning renown and fame for the race.

Ladies, gentlemen and friends of the Negro race, we have appeared before you this evening feeling a deep sense of the responsibility resting upon us in the pleasant task we have chosen. Let it not be thought, however, that we feel that we have been fully equal to the emergency, doing justice to ourselves and to you. But be it felt on the other hand that we have been actuated from pure, honest, conscientious motives and convictions, meaning injury to none, endeavoring in our judgment and feeble way to meet the broad and wicked aspersions cast upon the fair name of our women in calm reason and consideration. Until our dying day in defense and in behalf of the entire race, we may be depended upon to resist and resent at all times and under all circumstances all such attempts of ignorance and shame upon the one hand and infamy and calumny upon the other, whether it emanates in the unfertile brain of of a crank or quack, a theorist or experimenter, whether he be white or black, high or low, rich or poor.

WM. H. GIBSON, JR.,
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Ocala, Marion Co., Fla.

[CONCLUDED FROM LAST WEEK.]

### Church and Social Happenings.

Mexia, Tex., Special.

E. W. Kelley has returned from Wiley University where he has been attending school. Mr. Kelley is well pleased with the school and speaks of returning when school opens. The beltherm school which has been taught by Prof. Daniels for five years in succession, closed one of the most successful sessions the 29th ult. This year, with the aid of the patrons, the Professor has succeeded in buying a lot and erecting a good school house in a beautiful location. The night of the closing is one to be remember by all who witnessed it. The first part of the night was spent in the concert exercises, which was composed of such pieces as "The Night March," "The Sunflower Chorus" and "The Japanese Drill." After listening to a well rendered program the select guest of the advanced students retired to the Hall where they participated in a grand banquet. The Professor accompanied by Mrs. Daniels and their little daughter, Georgia May, left for their home in Wilmington, Ohio, where they will spend the summer. Sunday was rally day at Tehicacana where Rev. J. S. Slaughter is pastor. He is trying to build a church and raised $31.15. Bro. Slaughter is the right man in the right place, and no doubt will succeed in erecting a church that will be a credit to the place and people. Rev. T. W. Thomas preached at 11 a. m., and Rev. A. T. Thomas at 3 p. m., both preached excellent sermons. Miss Maria Flemming of Italy, is here visiting her sister, Mrs. L. H. Richardson and Miss Sallie B. Peoples.

# AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE.

## THE FIRST BLOW STRUCK, THE LAST BATTLE FOUGHT, WAS

### By the Negro—A Speech Delivered Before the Booker T. Washington Afro-American Protective League.

MR. PRESIDENT, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I think you must have known me and my sentiments pretty well when you assigned to me the duty of responding to this beautiful flag which Hon. G. Torrence has presented to the Booker T. Washington Afro-American Protective League. I can say that we accept with much pleasure this elegant gift, because it means liberty and prosperity. Under the flag our fathers and forefathers fought so willingly and shed their blood in order that their children might receive the blessings of liberty.

Mr. President, I can say that we have organized this league in favor of protection. We want a government that will protect us when we are away from home just the same as when we are at home. If you want this protection, I say vote the honest Republican ticket. I am proud that I belong to the Republican party. I want no grander tittle to nobility than to belong to the party which helped to make this country a free and glorious land. I say that the Republican party is the only decent party that ever existed in this country. It is the only party that has said: "There shall be no distinction on account of race or color, or previous conditions." It is the only party that ever had a platform to stand upon. The Republican party made the first free government that was ever made. The Republican party gave to the sky the first pure flag that was ever kissed by the waves of the air over this glorious and patriotic country. Gentlemen of the Republican party, stand by and protect the Negroes who have made this country what it is by their labor. Look at the great battles fought and gained under the stars and stripes, and among the bravest you will find the Negro there. He marched proudly under the flaunting flag, keeping time to the grand music of the war, marching through the towns and cities.

The Negroes have stood by your side in the fields and weary marches, he has been pierced by the balls and torn with the shells in the trenches of forts, and in the whirlwind of charge where men become iron with nerves of steel. The first blow struck for the American Independence was struck by a Negro, and the last battle fought in the Union was fought by the Negroes. Mr. President: I am in favor of protecting the Afro-American brain and muscle. I am in favor of giving scope to the American ingenuity and American skill. We want a nation that will protect us from the lynching and outrages inflicted upon us in the South as well as in the North. We want a nation that will protect the Afro-American standing in the sun by his little cabin just as it would protect Vanderbilt in a marble palace.

I stand here to-night under the folds of that flag for which more good blessed blood has been shed than any other flag in the world. I have as much right to speak here to-night as any citizen. This is the country in which I was born; this is the country in which I believe; that is the nation that commands my respect, and should protect all. A great presidential cumpaign is on. The Republicans of the United States demand as their leader in the great contest of 1896, a man of intelligence, a man of integrity, a man well known and approved of political opinions. The Republicans demand a statesman who will sacredly preserve the financial honor of the United States one who knows that the national debt must be paid through the prosperity of the people, one who knows enough to know that all money must be made, not by law but by labor, one who knows enough to know that the people of the United States have the industry to make money, and the honor to pay it over just as fast as they make it. The Republicans of the United States asks for a leader who studied and discussed all the great political questions that affects the prosperity of the American people and that is, Wm. McKinley, Ohio's favorate son, soldier and statesman.

JOHN H. HAMILTON,
Pontiac, Ill.

### Railway Porters' Mutual Alliance.

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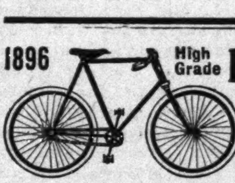

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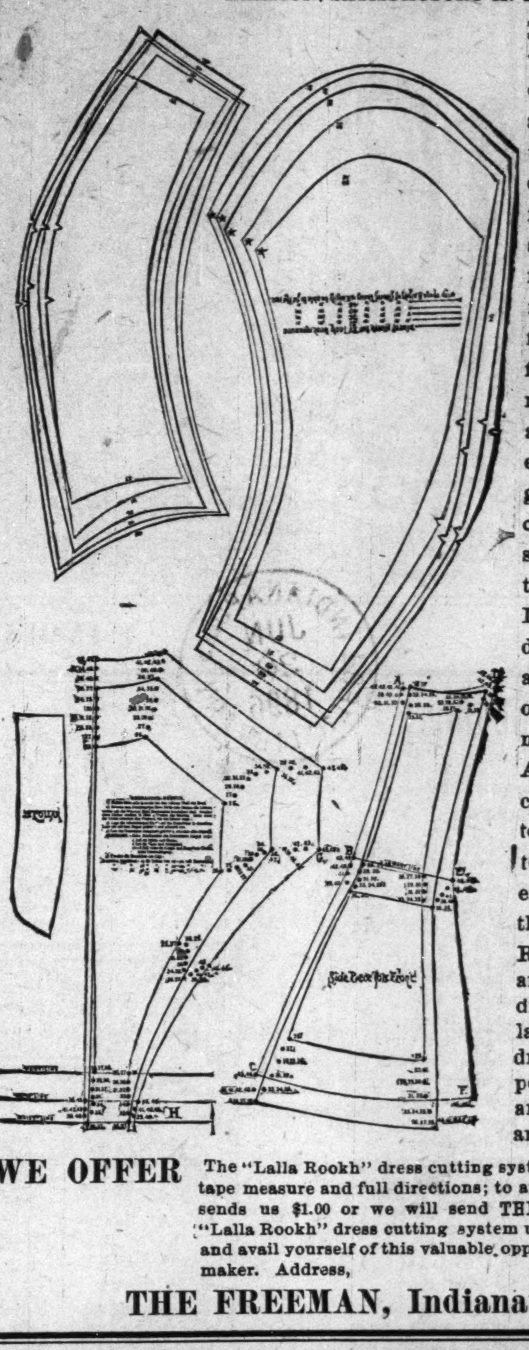

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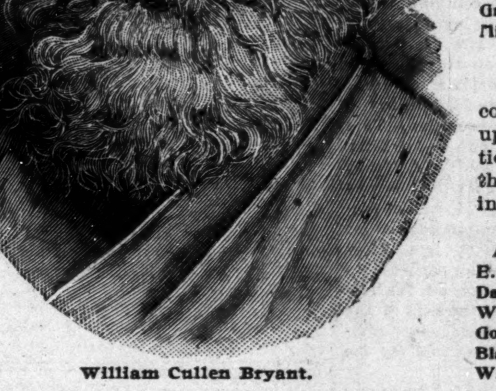

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# SAVED THE DESPERADO,

### AND AFTER EVENTS PROVED HIM NOT UNGRATEFUL.

### A Story From the South—Why a Traveler Secured Immunity From Loss At the Hands of Robbers in Mexico.

A long vista of noontide glare. A wide expanse of shriveled mesquite and mimosa, ever scant of verdure, now almost leafless. The shrunken cactus and drooping Spanish dagger, so nearly proof against heat and drought, now seem to implore clouds and rain. Not a weed nor a tuft of grass was to be seen. Save the hardy shrubs mentioned and a few ragged, knotty live oaks that grew along the straggling banks of the Nueces, and the slender thread of water on the bed of that river, the country was for the time a parched desert.

I had for three hours been vainly attempting to hook a few fine trout that basked motionless in a deep, clear hole of the river. It was useless. The very fish seemed too hot and thirsty to bite, as they panted midwad between the surface and the bottom of the water.

At last in disgust I rolled up my line and started for Catulla, a half mile distant. As I passed up the railroad track I noticed in the edge of the chaparral, which formed an avenue on either side, an object which proved to be a man, lying face downward, where he had evidently fallen. That he was still alive, though unconscious, I soon perceived. I ran to a little Mexican jacal, which I saw through the brush a few yards distant, for water and assistance. A senora gave me a small jar of water and followed me as I ran back. He groaned as I reached his side, and cried, "Agua, agua!" I raised his head upon my knee and placed the vessel to his lips, and he drank eagerly as long as I would allow, and murmuring a "Gracias," closed his eyes again. The woman had by this time reached the spot, and, on seeing his upturned face, screamed and fled back to the hovel. I could not account for this strange conduct, but as the man was again reviving, my attention was called to him.

"Senor, you have saved my life," he said feebly in Spanish—not in the vulgar "greaser" dialect, but in the faultless Castillian of an educated gentleman.

"I am happy to have been able to render you such a service," I replied in the same tongue.

"I was overcome with hunger and thirst and fell here, where I would have died but for you," he continued.

"You are hungry? Then I must get you something to eat at once," said I, *turning* again to the jacal, where I found the woman trembling in terror. Without asking the reason, I asked shelter and food for her unfortunate countryman, telling her I would pay her for all. Her terror increased, and to my astonishment she absolutely refused te give him even food, nor would she assign a reason for her strange refusal. I returned to the man and proposed to get some assistance and remove him to my hotel. A look of fear came over his face as he dissented.

"Senor, pardon me. I know that your intentions are good; but I am wanted in Mexico for political offenses, and so much I fear assassination, that I would not be seen by many people. You can do me no greater favor than to hide me in yon clump," pointing to a bunch of prickly pear growing beneath a live oak, "and bring me a morsel to eat. I shall soon recover sufficiently to reach my friends in San Antonia, and the saints will reward you, for I, a poor man, cannot."

I did as directed, and while going to the village for some nourishment for him speculated on my strange discovery.

A dark Mexican, about 35 years old, with one glassy eye that gave him a sinister look; richly dressed, but clothes torn and tattered as if he had been literally passed and repassed through a threshing machine; a man who had every manner of a highbred, refined Mexican gentleman. These and similar reflections strengthened my sympathies for him, notwithstanding suspicions concerning his dislike to publicity, and the strange conduct of the Mexican woman.

I brought food and wine, which he devoured ravenously, and after profuse thanks begged me to allow him to sleep again. I left, promising to return again in the evening with more food. He then begged me if I had a revolver, to bring it, with a few rounds of ammunition as a precaution, should he need it for defense during the night.

Late in the afternoon I returned with more food and a blanket, as well as the revolver. As I had an engagement, I soon bade him good night, with the assurance of an early visit on the morrow.

I thought no more of my man nutil I breakfasted next morning, when I hurried down to our rendezvous with another supply of edibles. Imagine my surprise to find that my Mexican friend had departed. The blanket, neatly folded under a prickly pear bush, was all that remained. In the stillness of the night he had quietly disappeared. He had also carried my revolver. So much for Mexican gratitude

Some months later, when I had almost forgotten my adventure in the character of a good Samaritan, I chanced to be traveling overland, by stage between Matamoras and Victoria, capital of the State of Tamaulipas, Mexico, and was the only passenger in the coach. About 11 o'clock at night the stage was halted by a party of brigands and the driver ordered to dismount. While some of the robbers were looking after the horses, others went through the mail bags and the chief went through me. I readily passed over my watch and purse, but the thief suspecting that I had on a money belt, lit a small lantern for a closer examination of my estate. He carelessly flashed the lantern in my face, and stepping closer gave me a careful scrutiny, when he threw up his hands with an oath of astonishment.

"Senor, I take nothing from you!" he exclaimed, and pushing back my watch and purse, he turned and gave some hurried orders about saddling one of the coach horses.

Soon the party hurried away with three of the stage team and left the chief and I alone—the driver had long since fled towards Victoria.

"Senor," said the chief, "you may now mount and proceed to your destination. You will not be again interrupted."

"Do you," he continued, "remember saving a man who was pursued by Mexican officials, and who went away before breakfast without thanking you for the service? I am that man, and many persons near by knew me, and I could hardly do other than I did."

He then dug his spurs into the flanks of his horse, and with a wave of his hand in farewell, vanished into the gloom.

### Our Election as Delegate Endorsed.

MACKINAC ISLAND, MICH., May 18.
HON. G. L. KNOX:

DEAR SIR:—It is with much pleasure and personal satisfaction that I note your selection as one of Indiana's representatives at large to the St. Louis convention. Knowing as I do your personal worth and peerless ability in the capacity for which you have been chosen, I not only congratulate yourself for attaining the honor, but also the convention for making so wise a choice.

Yours truly,
F. H. WARREN.

PORT HURON, MICH., May 19, '96.
HON. GEO. L. KNOX:

DEAR SIR:—I see that you have been elected alternate-at-large to the Republican National convention. I congratulate you. I hope to see you there, and would be glad to know the hotel where you will have headquarters. The Michigan delegation stop at the Southern; my district is quartered in room 481, fifth floor. I am I. C. Washington, the little fellow who used to work in the corner of your shop, and refused to work on Sunday. I hope you are well.

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# THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

### THE CHURCH HAS LARGELY INCREASED WITHIN FOUR YEARS.

### The Dr. Ridgel Affair—His Victim a Visitor at Conference—Bishop Gaines and Dr. Preston on the "Outs"—The Elections.

The long and earnest discussions which preceded the General Conference at Wilmington, N. C., have borne much fruit. There were few delegates who had not given long and earnest consideration to the most important question to be passed upon. The election of bishops was no surprise, except as to the number. Almost every one expected that the four vacancses would be filled, but all are now apparently convinced that three new bishops will be enough to meet the demands. Within the past four years the church has grown a great deal in numbers, and the conditions of activity have greatly changed. There is more difference between the conditions now and four years ago than is usually noted during a period of a quarter of a century. On the part of the bishops there was no disposition to ignore the wishes and will of the men and upon the part of the men there was a determination to promote the best interests of the church. The one exception to the general tranquility was due to the prevailing notion that Bishop Gains was seeking to secure the election of Dr. Coppin to the bishopric regardless of the general will. A number of instances happened to strengthen this idea. Dr. C. P. Preston, who for a decade and a half has been a preacher and who was strongly spoken of for higher honors, incurred the displeasure of some by the stern opposition he made to the promotion of Dr. Coppin. When an old matter was raked up on the eve of election and an excitement raised, many said that it was not done to vindicate a principle, but to carry a point, and the wave of indignation rolled high against Bishop Gaines and others.

There can be no doubt that cool after thought will change many opinions that were formed in the heat of excitement. While Bishop Gaines was denouncing Dr. Preston, Bishop Turner was eulogizing Mr. Ridgel and selling his book. The inconsistency was glaring. As a people we have not sufficiently developed the reflective powers to be able to avoid yielding to impulse, to sympathy, etc. But we have so far advanced that after the first wave of excitement has passed we become conservative.

The church will never give its sober approval to the appointment of Ridgel as missionary. If Bishop Gains is in real earnest, he can show it by taking hold of the Ridgel matter. The unfortunate victim of Ridgel's act returned from Africa with Dr. Heard, and is among the visitors at Conference. The Afro-American is not yet very sensitive on points ot high honor. Many are weak enough to condone Ridgel's crime and place his victim among their female relatives. However, the Conference has taken no action thus far that is inconsistent, but has shown vast improvement.

The elections have resulted almost like we predicted weeks ago. Dr. Derrick received 201 votes on the first ballot, which elected him with about forty votes to spare. Dr. Armstrong and Dr. Emby were elected on the second ballot, Dr. Armstrong receiving 203 votes. Business Manager, Dr. T. W. Henderson; Editor Recorder, Dr. H. T. Johnson; Editor Review, Prof. Kealing; Financial Secretary, M M. Moore; S. S. Union, C. S. Smith; Secretary Education, Prof. J. R. Hawkins; Missionary Secretary, Rev. H. B. Parker; Editor Southern Recorder, Rev. R. M. Cheeks; Church Extension, Dr. C. T. Schaffer. Dr. Tyree stood highest on the list of aspirants not elected This being his first appearance in the field, he feels highly pleased with his large vote.

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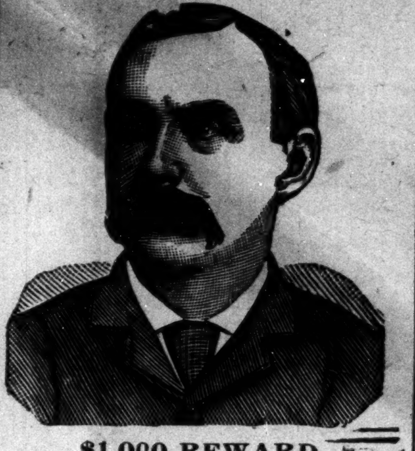

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Sincerely, Albert Ayers,
2937 Atlantic Ave.

Brooklyn, Aug. 15, 1891.—This letter is to certify that my husband had gone away and had been absent two years. I mourned for him night and day. I gave him up as dead. Hearing of the wonderful things Dr. Shea was doing I resolved to consult him. He told me that my husband was alive and well and where he was; told me he would come home and when. To my joy all of it came true. He is home now, came back like one from the dead. I also wish to say that this month I lost $250. I am a poor woman and I was almost insane. I went to Dr. Shea and he told me I would find my money and to my intense joy I did find it as he told me. I thank God there is a man so gifted in our midst that can help people and tell them what to do.

Sincerely, Mrs. Barrett,
121-23rd Street.

A SENSATION IN BROOKLYN—A MINISTER'S STATEMENT.

I wish to state that one of my parishoners was sick and in trouble for a long time, Mrs. Brown, 37 Gay street. No one seemed to under stand her case. She had several doctors, but none of them seemed to know what was the matter. None could do her any good. It was my duty as her pastor to call and see her. Hearing of the wonderful work being done by Dr. Shea the last few years, I thought I would call and see him myself, I found him a sympathetic gentleman. He gave me a wonderful test of his powers; told me to send him a lock of patient's hair, which I did by her daughter. He told at one what was the matter and in a short time cured her sound and well. Her family had seemingly been under a cloud. Now all is changed. All are well and prosperous. I can truely and and heartily recommend Dr. Shea, to all those in sickness or distress of any kind, Rev. William Johnson, pastor Lebanon church, Brooklyn,

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### THE A. M. E. CONFERENCE.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found an article which takes issue with The Freeman regarding an editorial referring to the A. M. E. General Conference appearing a few weeks ago. The article is written by Rev. J. R. Bennett, of Hot Springs, Ark., a prominent Baptist divine. He takes violent exceptions to the leading statement, which says:

> "It does not require much effort on the part of any discerning person to arrive at the conclusion that the General Conferences of the A. M. E. Church are the most dignified and the most highly respected assemblages of Negroes the world witnesses."

Before we proceed further, in order to show that we had company in our opinions, we insert the following from Hon. C. C. Astwood in the Colored American:

> "I find the sentiment of the colored man almost a unit in favor of the apostle of protection. I am now attending a conference of representative clergymen of the greatest Negro organization in the world, the General Conference of the A. M. E. church comprising eleven Bishops and three hundred and seventy-five pastors."

We might say in the onset that the assertion was not made to magnify unduly the A. M. E. Conference nor to minify other Negro assemblages. It is simply current opinion tacitly agreed to or openly expressed. Just why the A. M. E. Conference seems to lead may be attributed to the following facts: In the first place the church, unlike the Baptist church is solidified. It is a unit. No matter what may be the views of localities, schools or individuals they are merged into one at the General Conference. The system represents no loose compact, but has a decided head with prescribed authority. The discipline approaches that of the Catholic church or an army in a highly civilized country.

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is the moral to be drawn. For some reason, owing possibly, to location of the mass of the church, which seems to be in the North, its individual members—bishops, preachers, etc., seem to stand bolder before the public. Please note that when it comes to calling men to places of prominence in the state, if there is a tendencey to lean towards a denomination, it seems to be toward the A. M. E. church. These, doubtless, be unwholesome truths to those who would see differently, but we make the assertion without a tincture of feeling or preference of one denomination over the other and purely on the grounds of current history recorded. While the distinguished gentleman cites the names of revered members of his church, including the sainted Dr. Luke and the sainted Dr. Simmons both gone to that bourne from whence no traveller returns, yet there are now a full dozen men of the A. M. E. church whose names from some cause are as familiar as household words. It may be due solely to the prejudice of the whites in the South that forbids the same newspaper notoriety that the A. M. E. church receives North.

As to scholarship the Baptist convention may excel the A. M. E. Conference, but as to general respect accorded Negro institution, we still maintain that the A. M. E. General Conferences receives the major portion.

As to the second charge we claimed that the conference bid fair to eclipse others in magnitute. The statement is not prophetic; simply conjectural. We might add that the publisher of the paper is not of the A. M. E. church, his motives are not to serve as an] adjunct to any institution. The paper is not subsidized in the interests of any creed. It means to tell the truth as it sees it. If in doubt will gladly] reason with you. We are not infallible here, being subject to conversion on all lines.

### THE MONUMENT AND THE NEGRO

The Journal of this city cannot see just why the Negro should figure in the great soldiers' monument now rapidiy approaching completion in this city. The News is eminently correct when it says that the Negro should be represented, not as a race, but as the underlying cause of the war the monument so fitly commemorates. The omission of the Negro from this pile of stone and bronze is as significant as the omission of Hamlet from the play of that name. It seems as if the South understands better how to win sympathy for her soldiers in the way it manipulates things. They have built a monument dedicated to those Negroes who guarded their homes and families, while the men occupied the tented fields. While this tribute of respect is shown Negroes for their fidelity, yet through it all, it helps perpetuate and to even glorify the last cause. Defeat has taken on the similitude of triumph.

The Negro for this monument does not need to be represented as a soldier helping to save the Union, yet, even as a soldier, it would not be amiss, for one type would represent the whites, no matter whether German, English or Irish. One type could represent the Negro—the type being radically different. He should at least be represented as a product of the war—born amid a nations travail after 250 years of weary gestation. Some fitting creation of the first great cause of the war should be hamered in brass or chiseled in stone. There exist such a refined prejudice against the Negro in some States of the North that a work of art would be sacrificed to eliminate a "nigger." The news of this cites the case of Ary Schaeffer, an artist, whose mission was to rehabilitate a picture for the Episcopal prayer book before the war. The picture in question being one where Christ is blessing all the nations of the earth, a Negro being among them. The Negro was not in the new picture. New Jersey decreed otherwise. While it is not likely that a Negro will be questioned as to his likes, but if the monument means to represent the late war, and if groups of human figures or individual figures are to help symbolize that event, it fails to carry out the symbolization without the son of Africa.

### NEGROES AT ST. LOUIS.

The hue and cry of Negroes to influence the National Convention at St. Louis is entirely unwarranted. A convention of Negroes does not mean that there is to be concentrated opposition to McKinley. Mr. Pinchback certainly speaks for thousands of others than himself when he says there are burning questions now before the public, vital to the Negro's respectable existence, that a body of representative men might discuss no matter whether the body be made up of Negroes or otherwise. He holds that the convention week would be an opportune time for the gathering of such men as have weight at home and abroad. He wants it understood that all the delegates of the South are not for McKinley, but every candidate is represented among them. He thinks that Negroes should go to the convention with the courage of their convictions, laying bare the charge that they are mercenary creatures with no principle other than "getting on" in the world.

It appears that one, Johnson, who is possibly of the 41 delegates that met in New York to have some grievances righted have proposed what is known as a "black plank" for the platform. The fact and the proposition seems to have driven some of the conservers of news into tan trums, thereby prejudicing the welfare of the whole party by giving undue prominence to one man's whim or desire. That the thing has been magnified is evident by the ignorance of the prominent Negroes of the country concerning it. Hon. B. K. Bruce, in the Colored American, says: "I am not informed that such a meeting will be held." Hon. J. R. Lynch: "I have no knowledge of, interest in, nor sympathy with such a movement." Hon. George L. Knox says: "Any attempt to influence the convention in anyway that is likely to be retroactive would be reprehensible and doubtless be inimical to Republican success." He feels that a body of representative men meeting to discuss "Jim Crow" car decision. Curtailment of Negro suffrage and mobocracy would not be amiss.

### REGULATORS (?) REGULATED.

Jack Trice, of Braidenton, Fla., is another Negro hero. Last week he fought successfully with about a dozen white men who attempted to regulate his fourteen-year-old son. He killed a few of them with his trusty rifle. The regulators beat a hasty retreat, but returned reinforced. The intented victims had flown. The house was burned, after they had driven the aged mother out. Trice and son made good their escape and are at this writing being followed by a posse of men with hounds. It is not a matter of conjecture as to the probable results in event of capture. There have been so many chapters written on just such actions as this that further writing seems tame. In anyother clime than the insalubrious South, speaking figuratively, this man would be denominated a hero. Any class of citizens that set the laws at defiance, and attempt to administer summary justice, should deserve just such treatment. Trice has taught a valuable lesson. It should fall on minds prepared—susceptible. If one must be hounded down, we reiterate that if hell be the port of destination he should have full escort.

### FITZGERALD, GEORGIA.

The South is bad enough they say but when it comes systematic, disciplined, undeviating hate you must go North. We know of no place South that a colored man can not go and work if he chooses, except at Fitzgerald's Colony in Fitzgerald, Ga. Such a scheme as that could have been hatched under no other hat than the promoters of this enterprise. We have a few cities up this way that do not permit Negroes to tarry over night. It may all be right, but 'tis exceedingly strange. We might add that Mr P. Fitzgerald is of this city. He is a man who looks after the pensions for the soldiers, widows and orphans. It is a good business to grows callous in. We immagine that this splendid city that is going up scarcely without the sound of trowel or hammer will run quickly to seed unless the sturdy black yeomanry of the South is not called in for mainstays and props.

The statement of the Journal that the Negro idea has no connection with art is itself far-fetched, and depreciatory in the extreme. If the Negro is worthy of caricaturing he is worthy from the position he occupied in the late struggle of artistic conception. Art is, as it is created, not subject to arbitrary laws so far as the subject is concerned. Much humbler things than Negroes whose experience has been vicissitudinal since he landed on this shore has been nobly treated. No, not many, perhaps, went to war as soldiers as the Journal says. Such things are not to be subject to a parsimonious division, but a grand treatment that includes every particular in order to make a perfect whole. Thousands are but so many ones. The death of one to the subject is as solemn as the death of millions to millions.

The turning down of the brilliant Dr. E. W. S. Hammond as the editor of the S. W. Christian Advocate by the M. E. General Conference is to be deplored. Dr. Hammond is a man of distinguished parts. No reason seems assigned, except the pleasuring of the whims of the fickle goddess of fortune. He succeeded in doubling the subscription of the publication. His successor is said to be a man of learing and breadth. If such be the case the journal should keep the pace set by Dr. Hammond.

The Journal, of this city, goes out of its way to say that the Negro represented in some of the groups of the monument would be far-fetched and fantastic. This is an ill disguised attempt to be funny at the Negro's expense. The Midway Plaisance, doubtless, was in mind when the thought, fantastic, was expressed.

Mr. John Holiday, one of the most influential white gentlemen of the State of Indiana, the founder of the Indianapolis News, has shown a broad spirit of philanthropy by insisting that the Negro deserves a place on Indiana's great monument to Indiana's soldiers and sailors.

Prof. Edwin F. Horn is winning laurels as an educator in the South. He is principal of a school in Little Rock and is further engaged in lecturing and conducting of normal classes. He has been appointed to conduct the Pulaski County Institute, Ark.

The Black Republican is a new publication in the city of New York. It will advance Republican theories altogether, having nothing in common with kickers. It is for Morton.

The Negro Press Association of Arkansas will meet in convention in Little Rock, June 9. They will discuss measures relative to the betterment of journalism in the State.

### Social Snap Shots.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.

Rev. I. Toliver, evangelist from Texas, closed a very successful meeting at the Tabernacle Baptist church, Sunday, the 24th. Mrs. Lottie Thompson Dickson has returned from Buffalo. The Memphis Reds defeated the Lemoyne club and the Fleetwood Stars at their picnic last week. A very sad event is the death of John Franklin, which occurred Sunday evening at 1 o'clock at his residence, on Goslee street. Mr. Franklin was 68 years old. He leaves three sons and a wife. The Freeman will be stopped without notice to parties who fail to pay after five papers have been sent them. Misses Glispy, Settles and Hicks gave an evening luncheon served in sixteen courses, Tuesday at the latter's residence on Louderdale street. Four hours was enjoyed by all in attendance. Playing "Dunkey" was the chief amusement. At the last meeting of the Manhattan club the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: A. J. H. Bass, president; G. W. West, vice-president; J. C. McNeal, secretary; S. Washington, treasurer. A souvenir dance and party was given by Miss Rubette Hicks, 130 Beal street, Wednesday night, which was a grand success. Henry Martin is all smiles—it's a girl. Mother and daughter are doing well. Miss Ellen Cowan has recovered. Miss Addie Hodges is confined to her bed with rheumatism. The names of the graduating class at the Lemoyne Institute are as follows: Misses C. E. Morgan, P. E Clice, J. A. Rooks, Marie Williams, Lola Sims, Lola Goff, A. V. Neal, Bertha Jones, Carrie Fields, Fannie Ware, Messrs. W. L. Currie, Robert Dixon, L. Branch, Clarance Robinson, I. Polk, W. A. Branch. The commencement exercises will be held at the Auditorium June 3d. Miss Lillie B. Price departed Monday for Mississippi. The names of graduates from the Howe Institute Collegiate or Higher Normal, are Josephine Cooperwood, Rumsey S. Field, I. H. Johnson, Robt. B. Mathas, Anna M. Mosby, Araminta Spratlin. Academic department: John Cunningham, Wm. Green, Mary Hightower, Lelia Hood, Samuel Hough, Henry H. Snipes. The Episcopal church gave a grand hop Thursday night at the Christian Union Orphan asylum, to a well attended crowd. The Freeman can be found at 151 Beal street and 52 Simmons avenue.

### Installation of the K. of T.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Special.

There was a grand entertainment given at Brown's Chapel A. M. E. church on the 18th inst., by the club, "The Sons and Daughters of Allen." There was a grand balloon ascension and a daring parachute leap performed by a lady on the corner of Fourth and Maple streets on the 18th inst. An entertainment was given by the Court of Calanthe in the Odd Fellows Hall, corner Six and Mingel streets, on the 16th inst. Elder P. Thurman of Belmont, Mo., arrived in this city on the 16th inst., and preached two impressive sermons at Browns Chapel A. M. E. church on the 17th., and left on the 20th. A revival is being carried on at Pleasant Grove Baptist church by Rev. Wm. Young. The daughters of the Tabernacle, Rosa Hill No. 19, of this city, had an installation on the 22nd inst., at the Odd Fellows Hall. Those elected and installed were as follows: Daughters Bettie Burphett H. P.; Josephine Gatlen, V. P.; Eva Gwinn, C. R.; Matilda Shanklin, V. R.; Lue Houston, C. T.; Catharine Adams, C. P.; Cornelia Fields and Emma Parker I. S. and O. S.; Sr's Geo. Melon and Jno. Clay, C. Treasury; Daughters Jenny Clay, Willie Adams and Ella Thompkins, B. V.; Daughters Harriett Bailey and Julia Gatlin, B. E. Elder Beasly arrived in this city on the 22nd inst. Mrs. Abbie Addox and Mr. H. Hainline are on the sick list. The Mosaic Templars of America, will have their annual sermon preached at Brown's Chapel A. M. E. church by Elder Jas. H. Randall on June 7th, Miss Julia Townsend has made some great improvements at her residence. The outlook seems to predict wedding bells soon.

### Latest News.

Lansing, Mich., Special.

Mrs. Stephen Lucas is on the sick list. Mrs. Charles Smith was agreeably surprised Saturday evening at her home on Main street. Refreshments were served and the young people presented her with a set of China plates. The U. O. of T. R., will give a sacred cantata and tableaux of the Israelites flight from Egypt to Canaan, under the auspices of the A. M. E. church on Wednesday evening, June 3rd. Mr. J. Matthews, of Port Huron, has taken a position at Fowler's shop. Missionary day will be observed at the A. M. E. Sunday School next Sunday. In addition to the regular exercises Mrs. Snodgrass and Mr. Joseph Pierce will have a discussion on the exact date of the birth of Christ. Mrs Crawford will read a paper on teaching. Mr. Henry Vaughn fell from a step-ladder last week. No serious results are anticipated. Miss Mary Dickson, Miss Cassie Vaughn, W. Wood and A. Owens spent Sunday in Detroit. Mr. John W Price, of Detroit, has accepted a position as Lansing's correspondent and circulator of the Detroit Journal. His residence will be at 212 South Pine street and his office at Jenison's book store.

The entertainment, "Dent de Lion," was given at the A. M. E. church Friday evening. The following program was rendered: Organ solo, Miss Elnora Heeland; piano solo, Cora Jones; soprano solo, Caddie Ross; instrumental duet, Misses Dickson and Vaughn; piano solo, Miss Frances Smith; bass solo, Ross Spier; soprano solo, Mrs. Dr. Marvine; piano solo, Miss Heeland; piano solo, Miss Celia Cromwell. About $8.00 was cleared. Mr. John W. Allen has opened an insurance office at 106½ East Michigan avenue. He writes accidental and life insurance in a number of good companies, and judging from the hustle he is making his new enterprise will be a success.

### Muncie Musings.

Muncie, Ind., Special.

The memorial sermon preached at the A. M. E. church for the colored G. A. R., for their heroism and gallantry in the late war, was the best that was ever produced in our city. Rev. H. E. Stewart was at his best. The choir sang "My country 'tis of thee," which made the scene more striking to those present. The festival given at the Second Baptist church, was a grand success. The Eagle brass band furnished music for the occasion. Rev. J. A. Smith is conducting a series of meetings at the Second M. E. church. Jas. Malory, of Bedford, is in our city visiting his sister, Mrs. J. H. Wallace. Robert Riff and J. L. Morin left Tuesday for Boston, Mass., to make it their future home. May success follow them. Mrs. Link Bell left Sunday evening for Racine, Wis., to visit her aunt. Hop Spain has accepted a position at the new Southern hotel. The American Entertainers and famous Plunger quartette, under the management of Paul Floyd, have gone West to fill engagements. Miss Alice Finley lost her purse at the box social given at the A. M. E. church. Members of the Terpsicorean club are making extensive preparations for an outing in June. Robt. Nathan has resigned as a member of the Eagle Brass Band. Harry Adams and John Robbins have become members. John Morin and Mrs. Moore are on the sick list. Ohmer Knox was promoted to the position of manager of John Moran's tonsorial parlor, corner Mulberry and Jackson street.

### Church Notes and News.

Logansport, Ind., Special.

John Parker and family attended the funeral of Mr. Taylor at Peru, Ind. last Sunday. Nute Wilson and family spent the day in Wabash with his daughter, Mrs. E. Russell. Rev. S. M. Smothers, of Rockville, Ind., passed through the city last Thursday with the remains of his wife, on his way to Marion, where her funeral was preached and remains interred. He was accompanied by Mrs. S. B. Kirkman, of Rockville, and Mr. Beck, of Wabash, Ind., a brother of the deceased. Mrs. A J. Allen is on the sick list. Mrs. H. B. Turner is better. The trustees of the A. M. E. church have repaired the foundation of their church by putting a new foundation under the church. Mrs. Caley Booker is on the sick list. Miss Lottie King is on the sick list. G. C. King has been elected delegate to the S. S. convention, which will convene in Richmond June 30th.

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### THE A. M. E. CONFERENCE.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found an article which takes issue with The Freeman regarding an editorial referring to the A. M. E. General Conference appearing a few weeks ago. The article is written by Rev. J. R. Bennett, of Hot Springs, Ark., a prominent Baptist divine. He takes violent exceptions to the leading statement, which says:

> "It does not require much effort on the part of any discerning person to arrive at the conclusion that the General Conferences of the A. M. E. Church are the most dignified and the most highly respected assemblages of Negroes the world witnesses."

Before we proceed further, in order to show that we had company in our opinions, we insert the following from Hon. C. C. Astwood in the Colored American:

> "I find the sentiment of the colored man almost a unit in favor of the apostle of protection. I am now attending a conference of representative clergymen of the greatest Negro organization in the world, the General Conference of the A. M. E. church comprising eleven Bishops and three hundred and seventy-five pastors."

We might say in the onset that the assertion was not made to magnify unduly the A. M. E. Conference nor to minify other Negro assemblages. It is simply current opinion tacitly agreed to or openly expressed. Just why the A. M. E. Conference seems to lead may be attributed to the following facts: In the first place the church, unlike the Baptist church is solidified. It is a unit. No matter what may be the views of localities, schools or individuals they are merged into one at the General Conference. The system represents no loose compact, but has a decided head with prescribed authority. The discipline approaches that of the Catholic church or an army in a highly civilized country.

The grand machinery works well with friction reduced to a minimum by lubricants well applied quadrenially.

"In union there is strength,"

is the moral to be drawn. For some reason, owing possibly, to location of the mass of the church, which seems to be in the North, its individual members—bishops, preachers, etc., seem to stand bolder before the public. Please note that when it comes to calling men to places of prominence in the state, if there is a tendencey to lean towards a denomination, it seems to be toward the A. M. E. church. These, doubtless, be unwholesome truths to those who would see differently, but we make the assertion without a tincture of feeling or preference of one denomination over the other and purely on the grounds of current history recorded. While the distinguished gentleman cites the names of revered members of his church, including the sainted Dr. Luke and the sainted Dr. Simmons both gone to that bourne from whence no traveller returns, yet there are now a full dozen men of the A. M. E. church whose names from some cause are as familiar as household words. It may be due solely to the prejudice of the whites in the South that forbids the same newspaper notoriety that the A. M. E. church receives North.

As to scholarship the Baptist convention may excel the A. M. E. Conference, but as to general respect accorded Negro institution, we still maintain that the A. M. E. General Conferences receives the major portion.

As to the second charge we claimed that the conference bid fair to eclipse others in magnitute. The statement is not prophetic; simply conjectural. We might add that the publisher of the paper is not of the A. M. E. church, his motives are not to serve as an adjunct to any institution. The paper is not subsidized in the interests of any creed. It means to tell the truth as it sees it. If in doubt will gladly reason with you. We are not infallible here, being subject to conversion on all lines.

### THE MONUMENT AND THE NEGRO

The Journal of this city cannot see just why the Negro should figure in the great soldiers' monument now rapidiy approaching completion in this city. The News is eminently correct when it says that the Negro should be represented, not as a race, but as the underlying cause of the war the monument so fitly commemorates. The omission of the Negro from this pile of stone and bronze is as significant as the omission of Hamlet from the play of that name. It seems as if the South understands better how to win sympathy for her soldiers in the way it manipulates things. They have built a monument dedicated to those Negroes who guarded their homes and families, while the men occupied the tented fields. While this tribute of respect is shown Negroes for their fidelity, yet through it all, it helps perpetuate and to even glorify the last cause. Defeat has taken on the similitude of triumph.

The Negro for this monument does not need to be represented as a soldier helping to save the Union, yet, even as a soldier, it would not be amiss, for one type would represent the whites, no matter whether German, English or Irish. One type could represent the Negro—the type being radically different. He should at least be represented as a product of the war—born amid a nations travail after 250 years of weary gestation. Some fitting creation of the first great cause of the war should be hamered in brass or chiseled in stone. There exist such a refined prejudice against the Negro in some States of the North that a work of art would be sacrificed to eliminate a "nigger." The news of this cites the case of Ary Schaeffer, an artist, whose mission was to rehabilitate a picture for the Episcopal prayer book before the war. The picture in question being one where Christ is blessing all the nations of the earth, a Negro being among them. The Negro was not in the new picture. New Jersey decreed otherwise. While it is not likely that a Negro will be questioned as to his likes, but if the monument means to represent the late war, and if groups of human figures or individual figures are to help symbolize that event, it fails to carry out the symbolization without the son of Africa.

### NEGROES AT ST. LOUIS.

The hue and cry of Negroes to influence the National Convention at St. Louis is entirely unwarranted. A convention of Negroes does not mean that there is to be concentrated opposition to McKinley. Mr. Pinchback certainly speaks for thousands of others than himself when he says there are burning questions now before the public, vital to the Negro's respectable existence, that a body of representative men might discuss no matter whether the body be made up of Negroes or otherwise. He holds that the convention week would be an opportune time for the gathering of such men as have weight at home and abroad. He wants it understood that all the delegates of the South are not for McKinley, but every candidate is represented among them. He thinks that Negroes should go to the convention with the courage of their convictions, laying bare the charge that they are mercenary creatures with no principle other than "getting on" in the world.

It appears that one, Johnson, who is possibly of the 41 delegates that met in New York to have some grievances righted have proposed what is known as a "black plank" for the platform. The fact and the proposition seems to have driven some of the conservers of news into tan trums, thereby prejudicing the welfare of the whole party by giving undue prominence to one man's whim or desire. That the thing has been magnified is evident by the ignorance of the prominent Negroes of the country concerning it. Hon. B. K. Bruce, in the Colored American, says: "I am not informed that such a meeting will be held." Hon. J. R. Lynch: "I have no knowledge of, interest in, nor sympathy with such a movement." Hon. George L. Knox says: "Any attempt to influence the convention in anyway that is likely to be retroactive would be reprehensible and doubtless be inimical to Republican success." He feels that a body of representative men meeting to discuss "Jim Crow" car decision. Curtailment of Negro suffrage and mobocracy would not be amiss.

### REGULATORS (?) REGULATED.

Jack Trice, of Braidenton, Fla., is another Negro hero. Last week he fought successfully with about a dozen white men who attempted to regulate his fourteen-year-old son. He killed a few of them with his trusty rifle. The regulators beat a hasty retreat, but returned reinforced. The intented victims had flown. The house was burned, after they had driven the aged mother out. Trice and son made good their escape and are at this writing being followed by a posse of men with hounds. It is not a matter of conjecture as to the probable results in event of capture. There have been so many chapters written on just such actions as this that further writing seems tame. In anyother clime than the insalubrious South, speaking figuratively, this man would be denominated a hero. Any class of citizens that set the laws at defiance, and attempt to administer summary justice, should deserve just such treatment. Trice has taught a valuable lesson. It should fall on minds prepared—susceptible. If one must be hounded down, we reiterate that if hell be the port of destination he should have full escort.

### FITZGERALD, GEORGIA.

The South is bad enough they say but when it comes systematic, disciplined, undeviating hate you must go North. We know of no place South that a colored man can not go and work if he chooses, except at Fitzgerald's Colony in Fitzgerald, Ga. Such a scheme as that could have been hatched under no other hat than the promoters of this enterprise. We have a few cities up this way that do not permit Negroes to tarry over night. It may all be right, but 'tis exceedingly strange. We might add that Mr P. Fitzgerald is of this city. He is a man who looks after the pensions for the soldiers, widows and orphans. It is a good business to grows callous in. We immagine that this splendid city that is going up scarcely without the sound of trowel or hammer will run quickly to seed unless the sturdy black yeomanry of the South is not called in for mainstays and props.

The statement of the Journal that the Negro idea has no connection with art is itself far-fetched, and depreciatory in the extreme. If the Negro is worthy of caricaturing he is worthy from the position he occupied in the late struggle of artistic conception. Art is, as it is created, not subject to arbitrary laws so far as the subject is concerned. Much humbler things than Negroes whose experience has been vicissitudinal since he landed on this shore has been nobly treated. No, not many, perhaps, went to war as soldiers as the Journal says. Such things are not to be subject to a parsimonious division, but a grand treatment that includes every particular in order to make a perfect whole. Thousands are but so many ones. The death of one to the subject is as solemn as the death of millions to millions.

The turning down of the brilliant Dr. E. W. S. Hammond as the editor of the S. W. Christian Advocate by the M. E. General Conference is to be deplored. Dr. Hammond is a man of distinguished parts. No reason seems assigned, except the pleasuring of the whims of the fickle goddess of fortune. He succeeded in doubling the subscription of the publication. His successor is said to be a man of learing and breadth. If such be the case the journal should keep the pace set by Dr. Hammond.

The Journal, of this city, goes out of its way to say that the Negro represented in some of the groups of the monument would be far-fetched and fantastic. This is an ill disguised attempt to be funny at the Negro's expense. The Midway Plaisance, doubtless, was in mind when the thought, fantastic, was expressed.

Mr. John Holiday, one of the most influential white gentlemen of the State of Indiana, the founder of the Indianapolis News, has shown a broad spirit of philanthropy by insisting that the Negro deserves a place on Indiana's great monument to Indiana's soldiers and sailors.

Prof. Edwin F. Horn is winning laurels as an educator in the South. He is principal of a school in Little Rock and is further engaged in lecturing and conducting of normal classes. He has been appointed to conduct the Pulaski County Institute, Ark.

The Black Republican is a new publication in the city of New York. It will advance Republican theories altogether, having nothing in common with kickers. It is for Morton.

The Negro Press Association of Arkansas will meet in convention in Little Rock, June 9. They will discuss measures relative to the betterment of journalism in the State.

### Social Snap Shots.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.

Rev. I. Toliver, evangelist from Texas, closed a very successful meeting at the Tabernacle Baptist church, Sunday, the 24th. Mrs. Lottie Tnompson Dickson has returned from Buffalo. The Memphis Reds defeated the Lemoyne club and the Fleetwood Stars at their picnic last week. A very sad event is the death of John Franklin, which occurred Sunday evening at 1 o'clock at his residence, on Goslee street. Mr. Franklin was 68 years old. He leaves three sons and a wife. The Freeman will be stopped without notice to parties who fail to pay after five papers have been sent them. Misses Glispy, Settles and Hicks gave an evening luncheon served in sixteen courses, Tuesday at the latter's residence on Louderdale street. Four hours was enjoyed by all in attendance. Playing "Dunkey" was the chief amusement. At the last meeting of the Manhattan club the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: A. J. H. Bass, president; G. W. West, vice-president; J. C. McNeal, secretary; S. Washington, treasurer. A souvenir dance and party was given by Miss Rubette Hicks, 130 Beal street, Wednesday night, which was a grand success. Henry Martin is all smiles—it's a girl. Mother and daughter are doing well. Miss Ellen Cowan has recovered. Miss Addie Hodges is confined to her bed with rheumatism. The names of the graduating class at the Lemoyne Institute are as follows: Misses C. E. Morgan, P. E Clice, J. A. Rooks, Marie Williams, Lola Sims, Lola Goff, A. V. Neal, Bertha Jones, Carrie Fields, Fannie Ware, Messrs. W. L. Currie, Robert Dixon, L. Branch, Clarance Robinson, I. Polk, W. A. Branch. The commencement exercises will be held at the Auditorium June 3d. Miss Lillie B. Price departed Monday for Mississippi. The names of graduates from the Howe Institute Collegiate or Higher Normal, are Josephine Cooperwood, Rumsey S. Field, I. H. Johnson, Robt. B. Mathas, Anna M. Mosby, Araminta Spratlin. Academic department: John Cunningham, Wm. Green, Mary Hightower, Lelia Hood, Samuel Hough, Henry H. Snipes. The Episcopal church gave a grand hop Thursday night at the Christian Union Orphan asylum, to a well attended crowd. The Freeman can be found at 151 Beal street and 52 Simmons avenue.

### Installation of the K. of T.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Special.

There was a grand entertainment given at Brown's Chapel A. M. E. church on the 18th inst., by the club, "The Sons and Daughters of Allen." There was a grand balloon ascension and a daring parachute leap performed by a lady on the corner of Fourth and Maple streets on the 18th inst. An entertainment was given by the Court of Calanthe in the Odd Fellows Hall, corner Six and Mingel streets, on the 16th inst. Elder P. Thurman of Belmont, Mo., arrived in this city on the 16th inst., and preached two impressive sermons at Browns Chapel A. M. E. church on the 17th., and left on the 20th. A revival is being carried on at Pleasant Grove Baptist church by Rev. Wm. Young. The daughters of the Tabernacle, Rosa Hill No. 19, of this city, had an installation on the 22nd inst., at the Odd Fellows Hall. Those elected and installed were as follows: Daughters Bettie Burphett H. P.; Josephine Gatlen, V. P.; Eva Gwinn, C. R.; Matilda Shanklin, V. R.; Lue Houston, C. T.; Catharine Adams, C. P.; Cornelia Fields and Emma Parker I. S. and O. S.; Sr's Geo. Melon and Jno. Clay, C. Treasury; Daughters Jenny Clay, Willie Adams and Ella Thompkins, B. V.; Daughters Harriett Bailey and Julia Gatlin, B. E. Elder Beasly arrived in this city on the 22nd inst. Mrs. Abbie Addox and Mr. H. Hainline are on the sick list. The Mosaic Templars of America, will have their annual sermon preached at Brown's Chapel A. M. E. church by Elder Jas. H. Randall on June 7th, Miss Julia Townsend has made some great improvements at her residence. The outlook seems to predict wedding bells soon.

### Latest News.

Lansing, Mich., Special.

Mrs. Stephen Lucas is on the sick list. Mrs. Charles Smith was agreeably surprised Saturday evening at her home on Main street. Refreshments were served and the young people presented her with a set of China plates. The U. O. of. T. R., will give a sacred cantata and tableauxs of the Israelites fight from Egypt to Canaan, under the auspices of the A. M. E. church on Wednesday evening, June 3rd. Mr. J. Matthews, of Port Huron, has taken a position at Fowler's shop. Missionary day will be observed at the A. M. E. Sunday School next Sunday. In addition to the regular exercises Mrs. Snodgrass and Mr. Joseph Pierce will have a discussion on the exact date of the birth of Christ. Mrs Crawford will read a paper on teaching. Mr. Henry Vaughn fell from a step-ladder last week. No serious results are anticipated. Miss Mary Dickson, Miss Cassie Vaughn, W. Wood and A. Owens spent Sunday in Detroit. Mr. John W Price, of Detroit, has accepted a position as Lansing's correspondent and circulator of the Detroit Journal. His residence will be at 212 South Pine street and his office at Jenison's book store.

The entertainment, "Dent de Lion," was given at the A. M. E. church Friday evening. The following program was rendered: Organ solo, Miss Elnora Heeland; piano solo, Cora Jones; soprano solo, Caddie Ross; instrumential duet, Misses Dickson and Vaughn; piano solo, Miss Frances Smith; bass solo, Ross Spier; soprano solo, Mrs. Dr. Marvine; piano solo, Miss Heeland; piano solo, Miss Celia Cromwell. About $8.00 was cleared. Mr. John W. Allen has opened an insurance office at 106½ East Michigan avenue. He writes accidental and life insurance in a number of good companies, and judging from the hustle he is making his new enterprise will be a success.

### Muncie Musings.

Muncie, Ind., Special.

The memorial sermon preached at the A. M. E. church for the colored G. A. R., for their heroism and gallantry in the late war, was the best that was ever produced in our city. Rev. H. E. Stewart was at his best. The choir sang "My country 'tis of thee," which made the scene more striking to those present. The festival given at the Second Baptist church, was a grand success. The Eagle brass band furnished music for the occasion. Rev. J. A. Smith is conducting a series of meetings at the Second M. E. church. Jas. Malory, of Bedford, is in our city visiting his sister, Mrs. J. H. Wallace. Robert Riff and J. L. Morin left Tuesday for Boston, Mass., to make it their future home. May success follow them. Mrs. Link Bell left Sunday evening for Racine, Wis., to visit her aunt. Hop Spain has accepted a position at the new Southern hotel. The American Entertainers and famous Plunger quartette, under the management of Paul Floyd, have gone West to fill engagements. Miss Alice Finley lost her purse at the box social given at the A. M. E. church. Members of the Terpsicorean club are making extensive preparations for an outing in June. Robt. Nathan has resigned as a member of the Eagle Brass Band. Harry Adams and John Robbins have become members. John Morin and Mrs. Moore are on the sick list. Ohmer Knox was promoted to the position of manager of John Moran's tonsorial parlor, corner Mulberry and Jackson street.

### Church Notes and News.

Logansport, Ind., Special.

John Parker and family attended the funeral of Mr. Taylor at Peru, Ind. last Sunday. Nute Wilson and family spent the day in Wabash with his daughter, Mrs. E. Russell. Rev. S. M. Smothers, of Rockville, Ind., passed through the city last Thursday with the remains of his wife, on his way to Marion, where her funeral was preached and remains interred. He was accompanied by Mrs. S. B. Kirkman, of Rockville, and Mr. Beck, of Wabash, Ind., a brother of the deceased. Mrs. A J. Allen is on the sick list. Mrs. H. B. Turner is better. The trustees of the A. M. E. church have repaired the foundation of their church by putting a new foundation under the church. Mrs. Caley Booker is on the sick list. Miss Lottie King is on the sick list. G. C. King has been elected delegate to the S. S. convention, which will convene in Richmond June 30th.

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Chicago, Ill., Special.

Quinn Chapel A. M. E. church was on the 19th, a scene of sadness on account of an auctioneer who had come to sell all their chairs, bibles, hymn books, organs, pianos, carpets and other belongings. The sheriff appeared at the church about 1 o'clock and at once began the sale. The above named articles were bought by Louis Hutt, the gentleman who received judgement against the church for $2,245, owing him for lumber sold to a contractor to build the church some few years ago, who at once took possession of the things and will have them removed from the church. Rev. J. M. Townsend, pastor of the church, arrived in the city the 22d, and at once begun work on the matter. He says that it will all be over in a few days.

Lawyer Barnett and Lawyer Williams, for the past twelve years law partners, have dissolved partnership. The Chicago Patriarchie Drill Corps No. 10 gave a grand souvenir entertainment at the Ninth Batallion Armory, Thirteenth and Michigan avenue, Monday evening, May 18th, quite a large crowd being present. A fine program was rendered the early part of the evening, which consisted of some fine addresses by the following ladies and gentlemen: Maj. J. C. Buckner, Hon. E. H. Morris, Hon. T. W. Rollins and Mrs. Frances M. Washington. After listening for quite a while at the eloquent addresses, the Patriarchie Drill Corps No. 10 gave an exhibition drill, under the command of Capt. George Owens, which was enjoyed by all. The program being over, the rest of the evening was spent in dancing. The colored Ninth Batallion, I. N. G., are making elaborate preparations for camp, which will take place in July. They have all been well equipped with everything that a company needs. The Ninth Batallion is a well deserving body of men, and at their coming encampment will be second to none in appearance and drill. The Ninth Batallion is divided into four companies, A, B, C and D. Jerusalem Tabernacle entertainment at Arlington hall Wednesday evening, May 20th, was quite a success, both financially and socially. The evening was spent in dancing. The young people displayed quite an art in the exhibition drills. Mrs. Sarah Stratton's tent was considered by all the winner of the prize. There is organized among the colored women of Chicago a club consisting of nothing but women, called the "I. B. W. Woman's club." This is one of the best known clubs in our city among women, its purpose being to discuss different subjects concerning women. This organization also takes a great interest in charitable work, which has made it a power in the community. The officers of this club are, Mrs. Ida B. Wells-Barnett, president; Mrs. A. L. Harris, vice-president; Mrs. J. C. Turner, secretary; Mrs. A. L. McDowell, treasurer.

## CLOSING SESSION

### Of Zion Literary—Wedding Bells—Personals—Walnut Hill Notes.

Cincinnati, O., Special.

Revs. J. M. Gilmere and Charles Bundy returned from General Conference last Sunday. Rev. Gilmere has been quite sick but is some better at this writing. Rev. R. E. Wilson, pastor of the A. M. E. Zion church, has returned. Go to the Bullet's restaurant and get The Freeman, and also for the best ice cream. The annual picnic of Allen Temple will be held at Woodsdale. Jerry Ester is out again. The May fair at Union Baptist church was a success financially. Revs. G. T. Abrams, editor of the Kentucky Brotherhood, and A. J. Graves of Lexington, were here on business last week. The anniversary exercises of the A. P. A. Lodge was observed last Sabbath at St. John's A. M. E. Zion church. The collection was good. Mrs. Young of Wilberforce, mother of Lieutenant Young, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Higgins of Walnut Hills. The G. A. R, had their memorial sermon preached at Carr street Baptist church last Sunday.

The closing session of the Zion Literary Society will take place next Monday night. All of the pastors and members of the churches are invited to hear the lecture by Rev. W. T. Hall of Providedce, R. I. The society will occupy the auditorium that night. A good program has been prepared for the occasion. Chas. Parham will visit Texas next week. He says the wedding bells will ring soon. Invitations are out announcing the marriage of Miss Coralie B. Mills to Mr. John A. Taylor, Wednesday June 3rd.

### WALNUT HILL NOTES.

The Golden Leaf Club of Mt. Zion A. M. E. church gave a leap year banquet for the benefit of the church last Wednesday evening May 20th. The church and tables were artistically decorated with the choice roses, pinks, and ferns and everything put forth a charming appearance. Mrs. Martha Sales, the chairman of the committee of arrangements, deserves much credit for the excellent management of this grand affair. Among the guests present were Misses Sophia Jackson, Lena Simpson, Sally Sanders, Lucinda Jackson, Emma Springer, Mary Edwards, Nellie Edwards, Marie Thornley, Rhode Davis, Nannie Ramsey, Carrie Hollan, Annie Hampton, Mesdames Hester Jones, Belle Jenkins, Amanda Shepherd, Mary Singleton, Rev. and Mrs. George Parker, Mrs. Nancy Little, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Humphrey, Mr. and Mrs. John Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Jacobs, Mrs. Alfred Jacobs, Mr. and Mrs. David Braxton, Messrs. Frank Hall, Albert Brown, John Sullivan, Richard Hayes, Chas. Jones, Lovell Moran. Tnos. Hahn, Thos. Jacobs, John Thomas, Wallace Campbell, F. J. Mason, Frank Owens, Rev. W. Rollins, James Pugh, James Curry, James King, Ernest Hall and several others which space will not allow us to mention. A good time was had by all.

Mr. Wm. H. Dews and Mrs. Ida Bell, nee Smith were happily joined in matrimony last Wednesday evening at the bride's home on Chapel street. A large number of relatives and friends witnessed the ceremony after which they all repaired to their new home, where a sumptious repast was served. Our enterprising grocers, Minns and Gradison, have consolidated their two stores and have rented the large store at the N. W. corner of Park and Westminister avenues, where they will be pleased to see their old customers. James Bowen, another one of our leading citizens, has increased his line of stock with the choicest staple and fancy groceries, and will be able to furnish the best of the market. Capt. Wm. Price, commander of De-Hart-Camp, U. B. F's. is drilling his command ardently, and contemplates capturing the first prize at the grand encampment at St. Louis next June.

Mr. George Austin entertained at tea Sunday evening Messrs. Richard Bundy, Albert Smith, James Elder and Edward Washington. Mr. Washington leaves shortly for Chicago. Rapid progress is being made in the building of the new orphan asylum. The gift of Messrs. Emery and our people is appreciated more and more each day. P. M. Hardin, the superintendent, reports all the children in fair health. The "Light of Night Lodge" of U. B. F's., will hold their anniversary at an early date. The exact time and place has not been decided upon. The Freeman always on sale at Frank Hall's lunch stand S. E. corner Park and Westminister.

### Douglass Club Meeting.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Special.

A good size audience gathered at the Second Baptist church May 19th, to listen to the program of the Frederick Douglass club: A review of the years work, Mrs. S. S. Wheatley; a remarkable evangelist, Helen Lewis; the "Jim Crow Car up held," Mrs. Wheatley; remarks, John Goins; select reading, Miss Della Stafford; chat among the newspapers, Mrs. Daniel Ward; vocal solo. Sweet Night, William Cousins. The next meeting will be held June 2nd, at the Methodist church, which will be the last meeting for this season. Among the sick are Nancy Wilson, Mrs. Mary Dempsy, Miss Burnett, Lewis Stafford, Mrs. David Morgan, the little daughter of Mr. Lewis, and John Culland. J. J. Minor of Portsmouth, O., is in the city. Rev. C. R Brown of Battle Creek, preached at the Second Baptist church Thursday night. Miss Jennie White and Chas. Gate were married May 13th. Rev. Isabelle tied the knot. Spencer Hedges died May 17th. His funeral was held at the A. M. E. church Tuesday afternoon. Rev. James A. Farrick officiated; buried at Riverside. He was a member of the Methodist church forty years. He leaves a wife and daughter to mourn his loss. The concert given at the A. M. E. church May 21st by the K. of T's. was a success. All those who are interested in The Freeman should be ready to pay for the paper as the agent will not sell any more papers on credit. Papers will not be delivered any later than Saturday noon.

### Current Events.

Wilberforce, O., Special.

Bishop B. F. Lee will probably preside over this, the third Episcopal District during this, quadrenium. Bishop Arnett goes to the fourth district, which was composed of the Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and Michigan conferences. The following elections by the General conference, in the majority give general satisfaction at the "Force:" Financial Secretary, Dr. M. M. Moore, Florida; Editor Review, President H. T. Kealing, Paul Quinn College, Texas; Secretary of Education, Prof. Jno. R. Hawkins, Kittrell Normal and Industrial Institute, North Carolina; Secretary of Church Extension Department, Dr. Schaffer, Philadelphia; Secretary Sunday School Union, Dr. C. S. Smith, Tennessee; Editor Southern Christian Recorder, Dr. R. M. Cheek of Georgia. Tuskegee Normal and Industrial school, Alabama, has elected Miss Lizetta Pinn, one of our graduates who is now taking post-graduate work here, as the instructress in domestic economy and professional cooking. An evening with Shakespeare was an interesting entertainment Tuesday night by the senior class. The social event of the season was the banquet of the juniors to the seniors given in Normal Hall with elaborate decorations, finest of menu; 'tis said to be the finest ever given. The public school closed Thursday night with an interesting program and entertainment which was a credit to the pupils and Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Coleman. The base ball scores for the week shows the following: Xenia Y. M. C. A. 12; Wilberforce 13; Cedar College 4; Wilberforce 16; our "crack" pitcher, Bryant, and catcher Gilliam play to-day with the Xenia Y. M. C. A. club against the Wittenberg college club from Springfield.

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## CHURCH DEDICATED.

### High School Graduates—Alumni Meeting—G. A. R. Memorial Sermon.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

A. C. Chichon, traveling representative of The Freeman, was in the city last week, enroute to the South. During his sojourn in the South, the genial agent will collect for the American Baptist Publishing company. T. R. Hammonds, attorney-at-law, is figuring rather prominently in the courts about the Falls City. John W. Tucker is seriously ill at his residence. Rev. H. H. Hatcher, publisher of the Informer, dedicated the new Baptist church at West Point, Ky., Sunday afternoon. There seems to be some doubt about the exact number of graduates from the Central high school. However it is safe to say that there will be fourteen with favorable probabilities of four others. The trouble is over the result of the young ladies' examination in natural philosophy. The High School Alumni had a very enthusiastic meeting Monday evening, at the residence of Miss Julia McGowan. A resolution was offered, recommending that all graduates from Central High school, upon an application, the same being endorsed by two-thirds of the members of the Alumni, should become members of the same. This being an unprecedented ruling, brought forth opposition to such actions. After a well aired argument, pro and con, the resolution necessitated the fact of one holding a diploma from the Central high school and nothing more to assure them a membership in the society. The whole evening was spent in considering the constitution. The Choral club, of the Alumni, is preparing some beautiful choruses for the reception. The graduating exercises of the State University were held in the large Auditorium Theatre Thursday evening Fully 5,000 citizens were in attendance. The entire program was a success. Seventeen students received diplomas from the Normal department, three from the Art department, and four received diplomas from the College department. The college has done much good since Rev. C. L. Purce, D. D., has been president, and expresses himself as meaning to do more. Never before was there such a crowd congregated in the Twelfth Street A. M. E. Z. church as was present Sunday afternoon, the occasion being the annual seamon to the old soldiers, by Rev. Seymour. The sermon was grand, and caught the old veterans. The Sons and Daughters of Aaron will have their sermon preached to them at the Twelfth Street church at 8 p. m. Louisville hails with all glee the intelligence of the Rev. John Holliday's election to the A. M. E. Z. bishopric, and all regret Rev, Evans Tyree being defeated for the A. M. E. bishopric. Everything is now in readiness for the Pink Rose club moonlight excursion, and bids fair for quite a success. The Moonlight excursion to be given by the young ladies of the Twelfth Street A. M. E. Z. church Monday evening, promises to excell all of the season. Miss Georgia Smith and Wm. Shipley were married Monday evening in Jeffersonville. The Masonic picnic will be held in the Auditorium park Wednesday, June 24th, and the Odd Fellows will picnic in their hall Monday evening, June 8th.

### The Alumni Entertains.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Warner Matthews is very sick. Misses A. and C. Mitchell of the school left for their homes on the 15th. The Thirteenth Annual Commencement of the Turner Normal was grand. The program was carried out to the letter. The pupils and teachers did credit to themselves. Many visitors were present. The annual address was delivered by Rev. G. R. Norman of Nashville, and was able and to the point. The decorations for the hall were very nice. All portraits of prominent men and women that could be procured by Prof. J. C. McAdams and wife, Mrs. B. A. J. Nixon, and other teachers graced the walls. Prof. James Edmunson will call the Thirteenth Annual Session of the Normal Institute of Bedford county to order June 15th. Prof. R. P. Purdy spent the 23rd in Wartrace. Rev. Jas. H. Turner's little son is very sick. Rev. B. A. J. Nixon, P. E., has returned from General conference, well pleased with what was done. The party given at the home of Mrs. L. Cowans by the alumni on the 21st was very enjoyable. Rev. A. White, P. E., of the M. E. church held a very pleasant session of quarterly conference on the 24th. Messrs. Alf and Bob Taylor gave a grand entertainment. The people laughed and cried for two hours. It was a grand success. Owing to the serious illness of one of the children of the Hon. Alf he was called home. Mrs. Lizzie Cannon is on a visit to her son in Chicago. Mrs. A. R. Winter had a pleasant stroll to the home of Mrs. H. Nichols. Rev. J. W. Anderson of Nashville, the general mercantile agent, is in the city in the interest of the general store. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store. All men should read it.

### Unwarrented Assault.

St. Louis, Mo., Special.

Rev. Dr. Cotman filled Rev. Preston's pulpit at St. Paul A. M. E. church Sunday 24th inst. He preached a very able sermon and made some very pointed remarks concerning the villianous assault attempted on Rev. Preston's character at the General Conference. Rev. Cotman took the pains to explain to the people the causes that prompted Dr. Preston's enemies to assail his character. The Columbian Knights and Daughters of America had their annual sermon at St. Paul A. M. E. church Sunday evening. Rev. Haskins preached the sermon. We are glad to note that Lawyer Jones, the young colored man who carried off the high honors in the recent examination in his profession, is proving himself to be very efficient, has already gained some noted cases in the criminal courts here. May God speed him on and send us more like him. W. B. Williams, who went as delegate from this district to the A. M. E. General Conference, has returned home after paying a brief visit to his old home in South Carolina.

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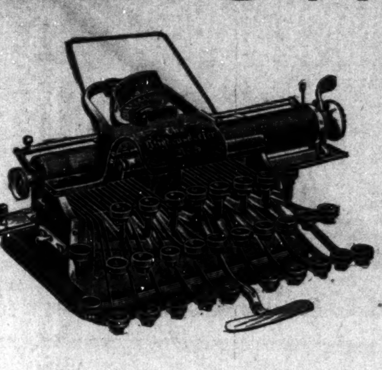

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### Summer Bible School.

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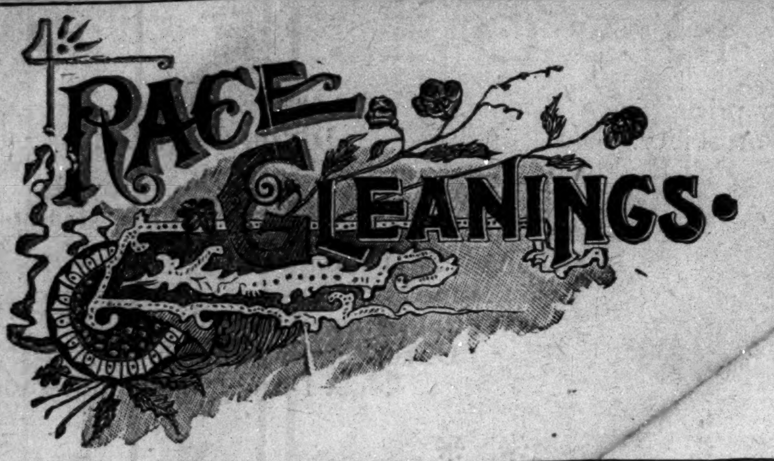

# RACE GLEANINGS.

Alexander Childs is a prominent young lawyer of Lexington, Ky.

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John Lankford is one of the leading florists of Philadelphia, Pa.

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Robert Stevenson is one of the city commissioners of Louisville, Ky.

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Raymond A. Lawson, of Nashville, Tenn., is winning laurels as a pianist.

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Eleven Afro-Americans are employed by the city government of Kansas City, Mo.

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The Republican Negro League of Missouri met in Jefferson City, Mo., last week.

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Dr. Starnes is one of the first M. D.'s of San Antonio, Texas, regardless of color.

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The Negro soldier will be represented in the soldiers' monument at Indianapolis, Ind.

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The General Conference of the A. M. E. Z. church will meet at Washington, D. C., in May, 1900.

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J. Crump and B. Haley, of Lansing, Mich., have been appointed to city positions by the Mayor.

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Rev. J. C. Washington, of Port Huron, Mich., was elected delegate-at-large to the St. Louis Convention.

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Kentucky is the only State in the Union that has a colored woman bricklayer and stone-mason.

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Hiram T. Wallace is one of the clerks employed by the Iowa Life Insurance Co., with office in Chicago, Ill.

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The Afro-American Leagues of California will hold their second annual Congress at Los Angeles, Aug. 11th.

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Rev. J. R. Clemmens was elected delegate-at-large at Rock Island, Ill., to the St. Louis Republican convention.

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Philip J. Allston, of Boston, Mass., has full charge of Weeks & Potters famous labratory. He has five men under him.

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Dr. Sumner Furniss, of Indianapolis, was the only colored M. D. in attendance at the State Medical Association at Ft. Wayne, Ind., Thursday, May 28th.

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Albert B. Cosey is one of the best known young Afro-Americans in New Jersey. He is an expert stenographer, and also Deputy Sheriff of Hudson Co.

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J. E. Dixon holds the responsible position of train dispatcher at the signal tower on the main line of the N. Y., N. Haven & Hartford R. R., at Providence, R. I.

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The State contest of Ohio Prohibition College Clubs was won last week by R. W. White, of Wilberforce University, a colored man representing a colored school.

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Charles S. Morris, who is studying theology at Newton Seminary, Mass., will represent the Massachusetts Inter-Collegiate Association in the oratorical contest of the National Association in Cleveland, O.

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A committee from the Armstrong Association of Philadelphia, Pa., will visit Hampton, Va., to inspect the school and be present at the commencement exercises of Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute.

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E. E. Proctor is the electric engineer at the When clothing store, Indianapolis, Ind., and has been employed in this capacity for nearly twenty years. He owns valuable property also.

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The Launfal Circle of King's Daughters is composed of Indianapolis colored school teachers. Their object is to assist the poor colored boys to obtain an industrial education.

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The Rev. D. J. O'Sullivan, a missionary who has labored for several years in the Egyptian Delta, is now visiting Brooklyn in the interests of the African missions. He has been successful in establishing missions among several millions of Negroes in Africa.

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Ben Abernathy, deceased, of Memphis, Tenn., who was the old and faithful sexton of the First Methodist church, was buried with great honor by the white people of the church. Six of the most prominent men of Memphis, all of whom were Confederate soldiers, were the pall-bearers. He was honored and loved by all who knew him.

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The semi-annual meeting of the Afro-American Political Equal Rights League, of Wilmington, was held May 15 when the following officers were chosen to serve during the ensuing six months: President, Dr. Enoch W. Hubert; Vice-President, J. Harry Weeks; Recording Secretary, Howard M. Naudain; Corresponding Secretary, Isaac W. Howard; Treasurer, Joseph Gunby; Executive Committee: J. T. Brinkley, chairman; J. H. Weeks, I. W. Howard, William Shockley, H. M. Naudain, William H. Trusty, and Wilson T. Helmsley.

### Church News.

Conway, Ark., Special.

The Freeman is well read in our town. The sisters, Mrs. C. J. Hollings and Mrs. Annie Olive, Mrs. Ellen Olive, Mrs. Ida Olive raised for the C. M. E. Church $124 50. The name of the clubs are as following: The B. B. club, No. 1, Mrs. C. J. Holling raised $35.81; Club No. 2, Mrs. Annie Olive, raised $27.04; Club No. 3, Mrs. Ellen Olive, raised on church work $41.44; Club No. 4, Ida Olive, raised on grand rally $16.43. We are having electric lights put in our town. Elder Hodges preached Sunday. Elder Short has moved to our town. A Sunday School celebration will be held in Lima church the fifth Sunday in May. Rev. E. J. Jones is doing good work at St. James C. M. E. church. Call on Mrs. R. Stell for ice cream.

### Clarindia News.

Clarindia, Ia., Special.

Rev. Alexander left Friday evening for Bedford to attend the quarterly meeting and from there to Colorado, and then returns to the Sunday school convention. Mrs. Sarah Williams of Shenandoah, is here visiting relatives She is head cook at the Shanandoah House. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Baker were called to Bedford on the account of her mother who is not expected to live. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cartmill a baby girl which makes a happy family of four.

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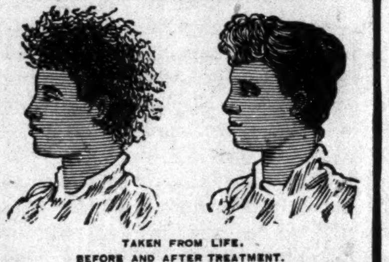

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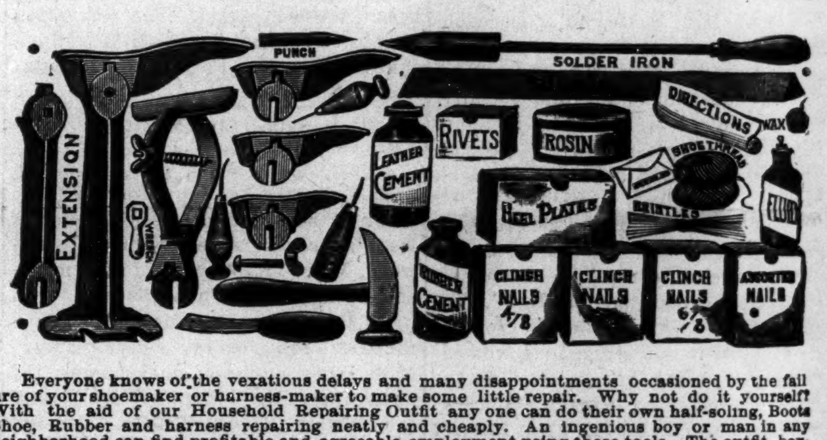

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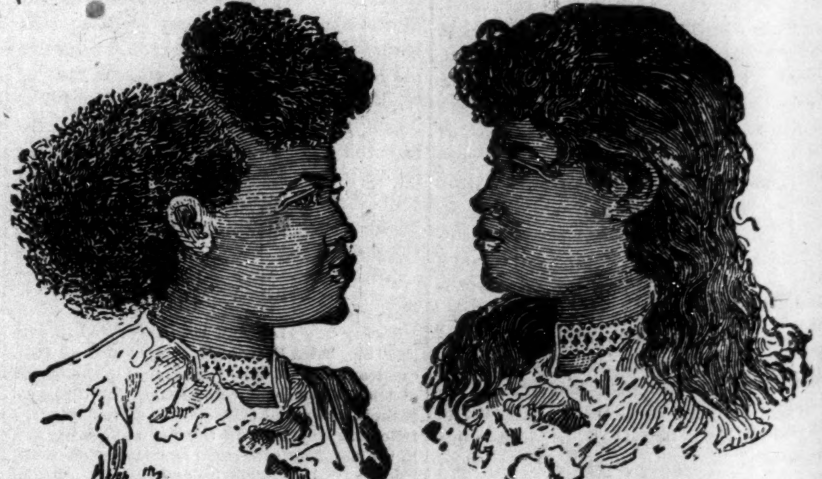

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Our correspondent under date of May 17th writes of the Mobile, Ala., General Conference: The large Sunday school of State street A. M. E Zion church was addressed by Rev. J. R. B. Smith of New York. The morning service was opened by Rev. J. S. Caldwell, B. D., of New York City, announcing and singing hymn, "How sad our State by Nature is." Rt. Rev. J W. Hood D. D., LL.D., read the 51st Psalm and Rom. 7th chapter; prayer by Rev. J. M. Hill of North Carolina: second hymn was announced by Bishop Hood, "Lo, on a Narrow Neck of Land." At 11:40 a. m. Rt. Rev. T. H. Lomax introduced Bishop Hood as the speaker of the hour, saying that it afforded him great pleasure to introduce a man he had known for twenty-seven years, and one in whose integrity he had always trusted, and that he had known him in church and in other walks of life, and that he regarded him as the greatest Negro preacher in the church or country—one who has given his life for the church.

Bishop Hood choose for his text Rom. 8:13: "For if ye love after the flesh, ye shall die; but if ye through the spirit mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live." By way of introduction, the Bishop called attention to the fact of the true nature of man—body, soul and spirit and that there was not only a threefold life, but also a threefold death. First, death of the body, 2nd, spiritual death, 3rd, eternal death, the consigning of the soul to its eternal state. While the sinner has natural life, God has something to take hold of—conscience, reason, judgment. After thus laying an impregnable foundation for his subject the Bishop launched out in the main proposition of his text, "If ye live after the flesh ye shall die." He reasoned that to "live after the flesh" was to follow the notions of the flesh, yielding to the temptations coming through the senses, seeing, hearing, etc. The Bishop's sermon was delivered with great power and was received with hearty amens from all parts of the church.

At 3 p. m. services opened by Rev. D. Walker singing, "Salvation, O the Joyful Sound;" Rev. T. Brown of California read the scripture lesson, Acts 3rd-4th, and led in prayer. Dr. Goler read hymn, "When all thy Mercies, O my God." After singing the hymn, Bishop A. Walters, D. D., introduced Rev. Dr. W. H. Goler, the worthy and successful president of Livingston college. Dr. Goler took for his text Acts 4:12 He preached a wonderfully helpful, instructive and inspiring sermon, and as he preached he was clothed with "power from on high"—with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven, giving reasons why the name and power of Christ is above every name as a saving sanctifying power for the individual, the church and the race of mankind. Bishop Holliday led in prayer. Bishop C. C. Pettey led in singing a soul-cheering song of praise and then expressed his admiration for the sermon and for Dr. Goler the preacher. First, because he "filled the bill" as the successor of the late Dr. J. C. Price, president of Livingstone college; 2nd because of his profound scholarship; 3rd, because of his pure and exalted manhood; in him Christ reproduced on earth in the flesh to as great an extent as in any other person he knew.

The evening service was promptly opened at the appointed hour. The hymn, "There is a Land of Pure Delight," was sung. Rev. W. S. Holland of Pittsburg, Pa., led in prayer; Rt. Rev. C. C. Pettey, D. D., introduced Rev. J. W. Smith, D. D., as the most famous writer of our church or race. Dr. Smith announced as his text Rev. 7:-9-10 and gave as the divisions of his subject, first, the inhabitants of heaven and their number; 2nd, their nativity; 3rd, their dress; 4th, the symbol in their hands; 5th their song. In easy and chaste flow of language, power of imaginative constitution and the way in which he drew on animate and inanimate creation to illustrate the truths of his text was simply grand and with it all he had the presence and power of the blessed Holy Spirit. The sermon was well delivered and received. Rev. J. S. Caldwell, B. D., of New York led in singing, and on invitation of Bishop Walters, one young man came forward and was received into the church.

### Personal Mention.

St. Louis, Mo., Special.

Rev. C. W. Preston, pastor of St. Paul A. M. E. church, preached one of his soul stirring sermons to his congregation last Sunday. Rev. Preston is the right man in the right place, a perfect christian gentleman in the truest sense of the word. Would to God that every pulpit in the A. M. E. connection was filled with just such men. Our friend, W. B. Williams, is expected home in the near future from Wilmington, N. C., where he went as delegate to the General Conference. He is at present visiting his father at his home in Columbia, S. C. D. C. Williams of Montrose avenue, is taking a much needed vacation. We are glad to learn that Mrs. Martha Nickleson who has been very ill at her daughters, is convalescent. If you want to read the news of the colored race read The Freeman.

Womans World

Fresh lettuce eaten at night will cure insomnia.

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Strawberries not only whiten the teeth, but their juice helps to remove tartar.

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Oranges and lemons will keep well if hung in a wire net in a cool and dry, airy place.

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Yellow soap and whiting mixed to a paste with a little water will stop a leak as quickly as solder.

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Stains of eggs may be removed from silver spoons by rubbing them with a little finely powdered salt.

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A narrow shelf over the window in dining-room or bed room is useful as a rest for books.

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Two spoonfuls of kerosene in a gallon of water used for washing windows lessens the labor.

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Canned peas are much nicer if turned into a colander to drain the liquor off, and then rinsed with cold water before cooking.

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Shark-skin mohair is a new light-weight material for deep mourning, particularly appropriate for warm weather wear.

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French printed organdies, Irish dimities, linen etamines and corded mulls are among the prettiest and most serviceable of the low-priced summer goods.

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The popular sailor hat may be varied by different colored ribbon bands, which come with button and elastic attachment, and so may be easily slipped around the crown.

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The newest shirts to be worn, of course with open coats, are in grass lawn, trimmed either with black or white lace. They have deep collars, pointed in the front, and a double lace-pointed frill from neck to waist.

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White is to be very much worn this season, and race and yachting gowns are made of white alpaca and serge. Short white capes of silk lace or chiffon will be a desirable possession at the fashionable summer resorts, and the only permissible black cape is elaborately trimmed with white lace.

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A lump of bread about the size of a billiard ball, tied up in a linen bag and placed in the pot in which greens are boiling, will absorb the gases which oftentimes send such an unpleasant odor to the regions above, or put one or two red peppers or a few pieces of charcoal into a pot where ham, cabbage, etc., are boiling, and the house will not be filled with the offensive odor.

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Pineapples will soon be very plenty and within the reach of every housewife's allowance. Brandied pineapple does not require to be cooked, and is exceedingly nice to serve with ice creams, custards and corn-starch puddings. After peeling the pines and removing the eyes, begin at the stem end, and with a silver fork pick the fruit from the core. Take self-sealing jars and pack them with pineapple and granulated sugar, allowing as much sugar as you have fruit. Pour very slowly over them white brandy until the jars are filled. Screw the covers down tight, and keep the jars in a dark place. If one does not wish to use so much brandy, the fruit can be prepared thus: After picking the pineapples to pieces, for every pound of fruit take one pound of granulated sugar. Put them in alternate layers in an open-mouth stone jar or porcelain kettle. Cover and stand in a cool place over night In the morning put the fruit in jars and fill with the sirup, letting the jars overflow to remove all the air. Add a tablespoonful of sherry to every quart jar. Before filling the jars stand them with the tops down in hot water; keep the lids and rubbers also in water. Keep the filled jars in a dark, cool place.

A pudding called pineapple cream is made thus: Rub half a pound of butter and one pound of sugar to a cream. Stir in one pound of grated pineapple and add the yolks of three well-beaten eggs and one cup of milk. Beat the whites of the eggs light and stiff and add them last. Line a pudding dish with a rich pie crust, rolled very thin, fill it with the prepared custard, and bake in a moderate oven until the custard is done.—N. Y. Sun.

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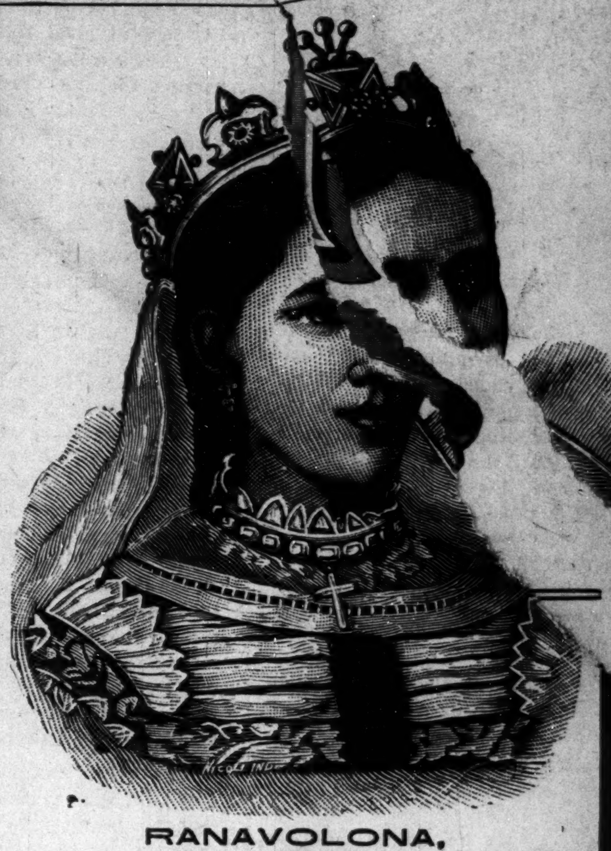

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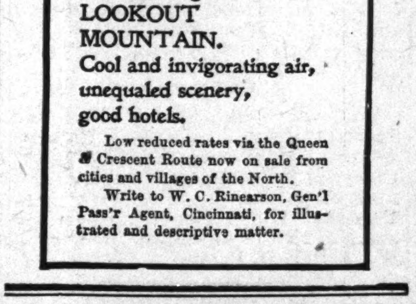

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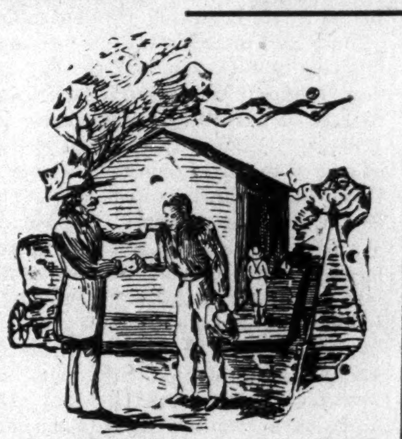

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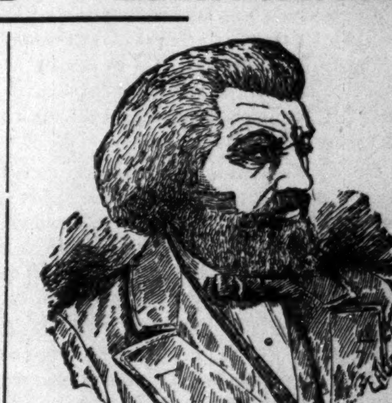

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## CITY HAPPENINGS—PERSONAL.

Elwood Knox Sundayed in Cincinnati.

William Burns was in Cincinnati Sunday.

R. E. Barbour returned from Chicago last Friday.

George Bass of Connersville attended the races this week.

Miss Ida Haskins went to Kentucky on a visit last week.

Lawyer Royall was in Anderson last week on legal business.

Wait for the Marion County Baptist Union picnic June 30th.

William Keelum of Knightstown spent Wednesday in the city.

The South Side Republican club is preparing to build a hall soon.

The Olivet literary society held its last meeting last Tuesday night.

Henry Bacon of Lexington, Ky., is spending his vacation in the city.

Wm. T. Bagby of Anderson, spent the week in the city attending the races.

Montgomery lodge No. 6 meets every Tuesday night at 139½ E. East Washington street.

Mr. Clements of Pittsburg, is in the city and expects to make this city his future home.

Communion services will be held at Blackford street church Sunday afternoon May 31st.

Walter Fleming of Cincinnati, will spend Saturday and Sunday in the city visiting his mother.

Rev. and Mrs. T. W. Henderson will leave Monday for Philadelphia, Pa., their future home.

Revs. T. W. Henderson, A. L. Murray and Wm. Floyd have returned from General conference.

The Freeman desires the officers of the different lodges to send their news each week to this office.

Miss Gertrude Taylor of Peru was called home on account of the death of her father, C. Taylor.

FOR SALE—Full dress suit, satin lined, cost $90.00 sell for $15 00 cash. Address "Full Dress" Freeman office.

Rev. Frank of Louisville, and Dr. Jordan of Philadelphia, will conduct services at Corinthian church, Sunday June 7th.

Dr. S. A. Furniss, late of the City Hospital has been appointed examining physician of the state of Indiana for the new lodge No. 6.

S. C., J. C. Ross of Savannah, Ga., will visit lodges No. 6 the later part of July and the members are preparing to give him a royal welcome.

S. Schofield Furr, a Negro of North Carolina, has declared himself an infidel. He believes if there is a heaven the Negro is made a servant there.

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Special services will be conducted at the Alpha Home to-morrow afternoon by the Rev. William C. Franklin at 3 o'clock. All well wishers of the institution are invited to be present. Take Brightwood cars.

Dr. J. K. Nickens, after a successful stay in our city, presenting the "Lion's Bride" left for Decatur, Ill., Sunday. The doctor made many friends during his stay, who will always be pleased to have him come again.

Mrs. Henrietta Woodring and Mrs. Martha Hall were on the committee to receive a collection from the Second Baptist church Sunday the 17th. They received quite a handsome donation for which the managers are very thankful.

The Herculean Literary Circle is a late adjunct to the Herculean club. It will endeavor to keep pace with current events as well as discuss the literary productions of the past. It will meet every Monday evening at 8:30 at the club rooms. It is to be conducted with the view of inducing the most talented of the city to give their pressence. Ladies are invited along with the general public, subject to the rules of the circle. "The Negro and the Monument" will be the subject for next meeting. Wm. M. Lewis, president of literary; Joseph Ward secretary; Dr. Sumner A. Furniss president of club.

### Solid as a Rock.

We have never heard such favorable comment on a race track meeting as has been made concerning the Running Meet of the Indiana Driving Park Association now on at the Fair Grounds. It stirs the blood of every true man in this big town, and if there is no string tied to every one of them they will all be there. The [illegible] that we have longed for has come at last—a genuine running race meet. That man Smith Graves deserves the thanks of every true lover of horses in Indiana for bringing this about. We vote him a medal and will pay our share of the expense. Several hundred horses have entered and everything is propitious for a successful good time. As the management is solid as a rock there is assurance that the running will be fully up to the standard in every respect.

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> By fearing to attempt."

The above lines could no more be fittingly applied to a people than to the Afro-American race. We are too timid; we don't venture; we sit with folded hands, too oft, and pray to the Lord to make us president of banks or cashiers, or some other position of trust, and never once make an effort to obtain a like position. How do you know you cannot get employment in that wholesale grocery? Did you try? What if you were refused—try other business places Did you ever ask employment of the Street Railway Co.? "Oh no," said Mr. Blank, "No use; I doubt if they would even give me a respectful reply?" What of that? Give them a trial; push yourself, young man, blow your own horn, and the world will listen. Why doubt and fear? Are you not a man?

We are glad to make note of the fact that the churches are at last awakening from their dormancy, and are lending a helping hand to the Alpha Home. Last Sunday a neat little sum was raised at the Second Baptist church. To-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock Rev. Wm. Franklin will hold services, and Corinthian will follow later. Let the good work go on.

### People and Customs.

The day has passed when all of the people can be fooled by the cry of "wolf, wolf" for, as in the fable, nine times out of ten the cry is a fake. So it has come to be known that advertising is as reputable, as respectable for a professional man as for others, and that the code which prohibited it was established for selfish ends of the originators as a matter of self preservation. They knew that as they had an established business that they could live without advertising while a new comer would in all probability approach starvation before he could ever become known is barred from the use of the press. Besides these old fossils are self constituted guardians of the people who they say are too ignorant to select the qualified practitioner. The result has been that the mass of the people have followed the custom of the few and have paid double price for services of old fogies. The latest and best of all that is truly scientific can be found in the offices of professional men who are advertisers—notably in the dential profession.

### Dr. T. W. Henderson Will Leave.

Dr. Henderson, the beloved pastor of Bethel A. M, E. church who has labored long and zealous with the people of this city and church and thereby endeared himself to his congregation and friends in general, takes his leave for Philadelphia Monday June 1st to take charge of the management of the Book Concern, to which he was assigned by action of the General Conference. While we are loath to give him up and know that his absence will be keenly felt, we submit to the fact that changes in all things must come some time. It can not but be said that he and his noble and kind hearted wife, with her lovely disposition and christian principles have been a blessing to the community and will live long in the hearts of the many friends. To Dr. Henderson we say success to him—honor to him, whom honor is due.

### Sheep will Follow the Leader.

Here is another case of taking things for granted, that is accepting a thing as the best of its kind because other people have done so for a long time. For instance, in the case of the Remington Type Writer, which was one of the first practical machines on the market, but which is now antedated. The "Bell-Wether" jumped it and ever since the sheep have followed the leader, though the machine has stood still, so to speak. The more independent investigator of machines has found that "there are others" and has discarded it as the Western Union and the Postal Union Telegraph companies have done. These companies have adopted the Blickensderfer type writer and certify to the fact that it does all the work perfectly satisfactorily. This machine costs only one third the money of the old machines and has all the advantages of them, besides it is portable in the fullest sense.

### Resolutions Passed.

WHEREAS, Death with his sickle keen has cut down one of the brightest flowers of the youth of our city in the person of Royal Greathouse, and

WHEREAS, He who was the pride and joy of a hopeful family has gone into the dim beyond, leaving a cheerful home loaded with grief and

WHEREAS, The deceased was one of the most attentive and most happily endowed, intellectually, of the members of Allen Chapel Sunday School; be it

Resolved, That the Sunday School of said church submit these resolutions as a testimony of the highest regard in which the deceased was held, and also as an expression of sympathy for the bereaved family and friends, who with aching hearts saw all that was mortal of the loved little one laid peacefully to rest. Be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased.

We the undersigned committee representatives of Allen Chapel Sabbath School in the discharge of the duty laid upon us by that organization respectfully submit these resolutions to the family of the deceased. Committee:

J. MILTON BENSON, Supt.,
MAMIE WHITE, Secretary,
W. THOMPSON, Assistant Supt.

### ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Edward Brewer, sr., was appointed steward last Monday night by the pastor and confirmed by the steward board.

Rev. A. L. Murray was appointed a member of the Board of Education of the A. M. E. church for the ensuing quadrenium.

Rev. A. L. Murray has returned from General Conference and will preach next Sunday morning on his "Observations of the South and General Conference."

Rev. M. Lewis of Crawfordsville preached two powerful sermons last Sunday, to which the congregation promptly showed their appreciation by contributing a neat little sum of money.

### At North Indianapolis.

Misses Allie Beard, Eliza Barbee, Mintie Bollen, Biddie Miller, Edna Scott, Mesdames Irene Franklin, Carrie Ross, Susie Miller, Susie Lewis, Callie Mitchell will assist Rev. T. Prentiss in a grand entertainment at North Indianapolis Thursday evening June 11th. Hon Geo. L. Knox, Dr. S. A. Furniss, Messrs. Joseph Ward, Joseph Broyles, James Williams and Wm. M. Lewis will also lend aid. Program will be announced later on.

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### NOTICE.

The sixth session of the Woman's Home Missionary Society will be held in Crawfordsville, June 18th and 19th. Commissioners please take notice and leave no stone unturned to surpass all previous efforts. Send in reports as early as convenient, and let all pray for the blessings of the Lord to attend the cause. We need your co-operation and hope to have your presence.

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Recitation...................Miss Sadie Skinner
Two Living Pictures, (a) The Gossip, (b) Five O'clock Tea.
Solo........................Mr. Ezra C. Roberts
(With Violin Obligato by Prof. H. Hart
Two Living Pictures....(a) Trilby, (b) A Puzzle (Find the wife of the man who is telling he story)
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Recitation............ ......Miss Allie Morgan
Two Living Pictures, (a) The Summer, (b) The Garden Party
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